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HERR ADOLF HITLER

Is the man of the moment in Europe to-day, for he stepped into prominence with his Rhineland occupation and has kept the eyes of the world upon him by sending a reply to the League Council's invitation to conference which makes it clear he does not intend to abandon his demands for revision of treaties.

LONDON SUBURBS HEALTHY

LOW DEATH RATES FOR ALL AGES

MORTALITY STATISTICS

London, Mar. 15.

The Registrar General has published a report by a Government actuary on the mortality experience of England and Wales in 1930, 1931 and 1932, which, by examination of the rates of mortality at individual ages, shows the great improvement in the vitality of the people which has taken place at all but the most advanced ages.

Investigation of mortality experience with reference to geographical situation reveals that the London suburban areas are subject to a much lighter death-rate than the country as whole in respect of both sexes.

It is found, in fact, when the figures are compared with those for other urban areas, that the outer ring of London is conspicuous for the lightness of its death-rates over the whole span of life.—*British Wireless.*

DEATH OF MR. C.E.L. GRIST

PASSES AFTER BRIEF ILLNESS

Widespread regret will be felt at the death, which occurred at the War Memorial Hospital in the early hours of this morning, of Mr. C. E. L. ("Peter") Grist, well-known lawyer of the firm of Wilkinson and Grist.

The deceased gentleman passed away after a brief illness from pneumonia, and the deepest sympathy will be felt for the widow in her heavy bereavement.

The funeral takes place to-day, passing the Monument at 5 p.m., and it is requested that no flowers be sent.

The late Mr. Grist was admitted solicitor at the Hongkong Supreme Court in January, 1928, and during his residence in the Colony he made a large circle of friends, by reason of his geniality and happy disposition. He was a son of Mr. E. J. Grist, who was admitted to practise in Hongkong as far back as 1891 and who resided in the Colony for many years before his retirement.

In admitting the late Mr. Grist to practise in Hongkong, the Chief Justice stated that his name was very well-known in the community, and he felt sure that the traditions associated with his name would be maintained by him.

GERMANY MAKES CONDITIONS

PEACE PROPOSALS MUST BE HEARD

OTHERWISE NO PARLEY IN LONDON POSSIBLE

London, March 15.

M. Pierre Flandin, the French Foreign Minister, when informed of the qualifications governing Germany's acceptance of the invitation to attend the League Council meetings in London, issued a statement to the effect that he would rather leave London and the League Council than discuss the second of the German conditions.

This second condition is, simply, that Germany will not negotiate with the League Powers unless the German Chancellor's proposals for the renovation of security agreements are considered simultaneously.

"I came to London to have the violation of the Locarno Treaty recorded; and I won't agree to discuss anything else. And if necessary I will leave London and even the Council, temporarily," declared M. Flandin.

The German reply to the Council's invitation is likely to be unacceptable in its present form, according to certain delegations represented on the League Council. They consider that the Council must first pronounce its verdict that the Locarno Pact has been violated before it can discuss Herr Hitler's counter-proposals.

Impossible Demand

It is pointed out that Germany's acceptance on a basis of equality has ruled out the question of any vote of censure, while it is regarded as impossible that a country whose violation of an international treaty was being considered should expect to discuss simultaneously the alternative suggestions it had presented, instead of the treaty it had flouted.

Diplomatic circles consider Herr Hitler's reply is exceedingly clever, however, and one likely to embarrass the Locarno Powers.

It is pointed out that Herr Hitler's second condition conflicts with the French stipulation that evacuation of the Rhineland must take place before France will enter into a discussion of Herr Hitler's proposals, and therefore touches the very heart of the discord between the French and the British.

Britain Disappointed

Although inclined towards conciliation, it is expected that the Belgians will support the French in taking a strong line against Germany.

The German reply is regarded as disappointing in British circles, particularly as the British Government reinforced the Council's invitation to Germany by making a special appeal.

It is felt the position has deteriorated as a result of the reply and instead of the advance hoped for, matters are now back where they stood before the invitation was issued.

Difficulties are expected to arise with regard to Herr Hitler's second condition when the matter is considered by the League Council to-morrow. British quarters are of the opinion that there would not be any difficulty in accepting Germany's condition of equality and unanimity on this point would probably be reached.—*Reuter.*

PRESS COMMENT

Comment on the international situation in to-day's newspapers is affected by uncertainty as to the German reply to the invitation to attend the League Council. Both "Scrutator" in the *Sunday Times* and Mr. Garvin in the *Observer* examine the crisis in all its implications, and each, in a different manner, stresses that it is the supreme task before statesmen to avoid the dangers and to seize the opportunities of the situation.

The *Sunday Times*, in a leading article, joins in an appeal to the German Chancellor to make a gesture, on the grounds that the issues boil down very largely to a question of confidence. "Let it be repeated that it is not the German claim or the German offer, but the German method, which had made Europe's present crisis perilous."—*British Wireless.*

IS FORCE OR LAW TO RULE?

CHURCHILL LOOKS AT EUROPE

COMMENT ON CRISIS

London, March 15.

Sir Austen Chamberlain and Mr. Winston Churchill both spoke on the crisis at Birmingham last night.

Mr. Churchill, who declared that whatever befell there could be no question of England repudiating her solemn obligations, urged that in conformity with the French offer the bearing of the Franco-Soviet Pact on the Locarno Treaties should be submitted to the World Court, but "Germany must be encouraged to place herself within the law as a preliminary to all discussion about the future."

Sir Austen Chamberlain recalled the origins of the Locarno Treaties, which, he said, were a contribution more to the security of Germany than of France. What was at stake, he declared, was this: "Is there any international morality or law, or have we returned to the rule of force in which the strongest does what he likes and the weakest goes to wall?"

GERMAN REPRISAL THREAT

WOULD RETALIATE TO SANCTIONS

REPUDIATION OF DEBTS

Berlin, Mar. 15.

Germany would retaliate to any sanctions which the League of Nations Powers might impose upon her with reprisals of a far-reaching nature, it was intimated to-day.

Cancellation of the German interest payments on all foreign debts, or on all debts to nations supporting sanctions, and a declaration of her inability ever to repay the principal, would be the first outcome of financial and economic penalties.

This was the warning contained in the semi-official *Frankfurter Zeitung* to-day.

SECRET MEETING OF COUNCIL

London, Mar. 15.

It is now practically certain that a secret meeting of the League of Nations Council will be held this morning.

It is presumed that member-nations will discuss the German reply to the invitation to attend the London conferences, and the effect of the two conditions attached to the German acceptance.—*Reuter.*

It is thought unlikely that sanctions will be imposed, however, in view of the opposition to this measure in all save French and Belgian ranks. Nevertheless, Russia and various others of France's allies, have declared themselves as being prepared to impose sanctions if the League Council approves of them.—*Reuter.*

REVISING CORPORATE TAX BILL

SENATE COMMITTEE HARD AT WORK

NO EXEMPTIONS ALLOWED

(Special to "Telegraph")

Washington, Mar. 15.

The Ways and Means Sub-Committee of the Senate is making tentative revisions to the Corporate Tax Bill which is intended to raise $620,000,000 annually while permitting the establishment of rational corporation reserves.

There will be no exemptions to the tax. There will be a 15 per cent. tax on undistributed coporate incomes up to 10 per cent. of the total withheld from the stockholders, after which the tax increases to 55 per cent. on the larger surpluses retained.

Reserves at present in existence, however, will be exempted.

The Committee is also studying the escrowed proceeding "recapture" tax which is expected to be adopted without difficulty. Also they are considering the proposal for a light excise tax on thirty commodities, which is expected to meet with heavy opposition.—*United Press.*

Owing to indisposition, the Vicar, the Rev. J. R. Higgs, was unable to take the services at St. Andrew's Church yesterday. The Rev. H. W. Baines, of St. John's Cathedral, deputised. The morning service was broadcast.

FLANDIN WOULD QUIT COUNCIL

IF HITLER'S TERMS WERE ACCEPTED

BRITAIN'S APPEAL OF NO ASSISTANCE

London, Mar. 15.

It is learned that Germany has accepted the League of Nations' invitation to attend the Council meeting in London, but with reservations and qualifications which are believed to mean that the country will send representatives only if the Council agrees to treat them as delegates of an independent state sitting among their equals.

A later announcement says that Germany's acceptance of the Council's invitation is subject to two conditions; first, that any discussions shall take place on a basis of equality of nations; secondly, that the Locarno Treaty shall be discussed simultaneously with Herr Adolf Hitler's new peace guarantee proposals.—*Reuter.*

Berlin Conferences

Berlin, March 15.

While official circles are reticent, it is understood in diplomatic quarters that Germany has given a qualified acceptance of the League's invitation to attend future Council meetings in London.

The Chancellor, Herr Adolf Hitler, conferred with his advisers, including Dr. Paul Goebbels, Minister of Propaganda, General Herman Goering, Air Minister, and Baron von Neurath, Foreign Minister, until about 5 o'clock to-night, on the wording of the reply, which was subsequently sent to M. Joseph Avenol.—*Reuter.*

LULL IN LONDON ACTIVITY

GERMAN REPLY AWAITED

BRITAIN'S APPEAL

London, Mar. 15.

The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, spent a considerable time to-day with officials at the Foreign Office, but there were no formal ministerial talks of any kind.

Pending the receipt by the Secretary General of the League in London of the German reply to the Council's invitation, there has been a comparative lull in the negotiations.

It is known that a British member of the Council was one of those who gave strongest support at yesterday's private meeting to the proposal that a special invitation should be addressed to the German Government to take its part in the examination of the matter which has been brought before the League by the French and Belgian Governments, and it is understood that the British Ambassador in Berlin, Sir Eric Phipps, has informed the German Government of the great importance which the British Government attaches to acceptance of this invitation as facilitating difficult negotiations and as being an earnest of the desire for an amicable settlement.

News of the receipt of the German reply therefore has been eagerly awaited in London all day.—*British Wireless.*

Text of Reply

London, Mar. 15.

The text of the German Government's reply to the League Council's invitation to attend the conferences in London in connection with the violation of the Versailles Treaty and the denunciation of the Locarno Pact, states:

Germany, on principle, is willing to accept the invitation, but starts from the assumption that its representative will be accorded the same rights in discussing the decisions of the Council as are enjoyed by the representatives of other powers.

The statement declares that the German Government's action, which has been the cause of the summoning of the Council, by the Belgian and French Governments, does not consist merely in the restoration of German sovereignty in the Rhineland zone, but is bound up with comprehensive and concrete proposals to give new assurance of peace to Europe.

The German Government regards the political action it has taken as a whole unit, the component parts of which cannot be separated from one another. For this reason the German Government can participate in the Council proceedings only if it is assured that the powers concerned are prepared to enter into negotiations forthwith regarding the German proposals.—*Reuter.*

ANOTHER OF MDIVANI BROTHERS KILLED

Del Ray Beach, Mar. 15.

Prince Serge Mdivani, one of the famous Georgia Mdivanis, was killed in a polo accident to-day.

The marriage of Prince Serge to the ex-opera singer, Mary McCormic, was recently dissolved. She was his second wife. The first was the film actress, Pola Negri, who divorced him in April, 1931.

Prince Alexis Mdivani, who was divorced from the American heiress, Miss Barbara Hutton, since remarried, was recently killed in an automobile accident in Spain.

Of the three brothers now only David survives.

When he divorced Miss McCormic, Prince Serge named Mr. Samuel Insull, the noted utilities magnate, as "the frequent companion of his wife."

Miss McCormic replied that her friendship with Mr. Insull was perfectly wholesome, and that it was a shame to bring old gentlemen into such a case.—*Reuter.*

STRIKE FAILS; UNION READY TO NEGOTIATE

New York, Mar. 15.

The fortnight's lift operators' strike and the sympathetic walk-out of other building service employees, have ended with the agreement of employers to reinstate the strikers.

The strikers' unions compromised by agreeing to abandon the demand that only union members should be employed in New York lifts.

Wages and various other minor matters, over which there has been some dissension, will be settled later by arbitration.

Thus, the fortnight's strike has accomplished nothing whatever. It has cost union workers some days' wages and the police and civic authorities considerable sums in one way and another. But the matters over which the disagreement arose are to be settled by arbitration, and might have been remedied by this means without recourse to a strike, and the violence which accompanied it.—*Reuter.*

BRITISH TRADE SOARING

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EFFECT OF SANCTIONS

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London, Mar. 15.

Figures for Great Britain's overseas trade for February show exports reached a total of £35,000,000, the highest for that month since 1930.

Imports totalled £62,750,000, and exceeded those of February, 1935, by £6,000,000. But they were nearly £8,000,000 less than those of the month previous, January of this year.

The effect of sanctions against Italy is shown both in the imports and exports list. For instance, the exports of coal to Italy amounted to only 15,000 tons in February, compared to over 300,000 tons in February, 1935.—*Reuter Special*

OPTIMISM IN SILVER MARKETS

BOMBAY REVIEW OF WEEK

Bombay, March 14.

Messrs. Merwanjee and Sons, in their silver review for the week ending yesterday, write:—

The day to day reports regarding the European political situation have been the dominating factor in the market. After a sudden rise early in the week, there was a reaction towards the close owing to London not keeping pace with the local market.

With fresh world production appearing to be apportioned between the United States Treasury and the world industrial demand, the undertone was restrained. There is some optimism, nevertheless, in evidence.

The up-country demand has averaged about 275 bars of silver a day.

A forecast on the surplus of silver bars after the March settlement is not possible at the present juncture.

Shipments of silver afloat from London to Bombay this week-end total £280,000.

The incoming mail steamer is bringing silver to the value of £150,000 from London to Bombay.—*Reuter.*

NAVY WANTS AIR BASE

Washington, Mar. 15.

The Navy has reported to the House Naval Affairs Committee, urging the speedy enactment of a bill to construct a large naval air station on San Francisco Bay on the grounds that it is necessary to the efficiency of naval defence.—*United Press.*

ROOSEVELT VICTORY

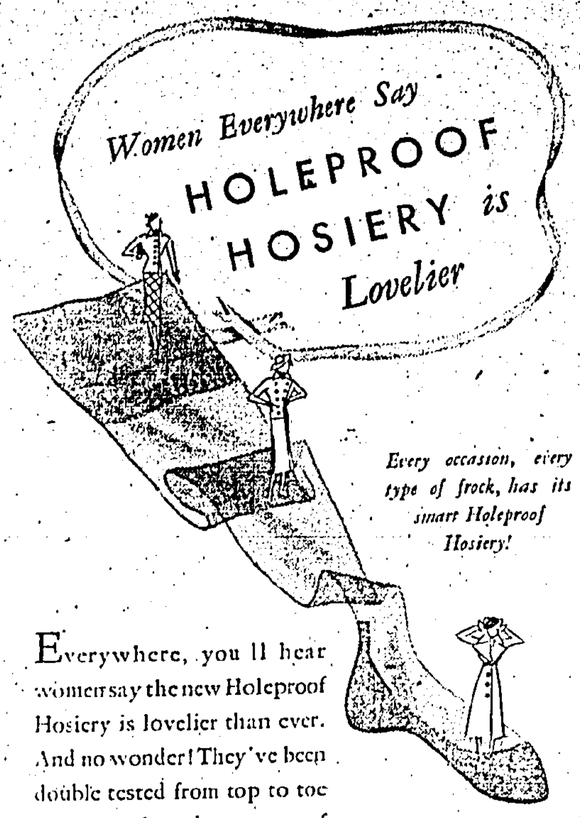
Hamilton, Ga., Mar. 15.

President F. D. Roosevelt still leads Governor Talmadge in the presidential primary election fight in this state, with 1,387 votes to the latter's 35, according to the latest returns from Harris County, a Talmadge stronghold, it was thought.—*United Press.*

BEATTY'S FUNERAL

As a mark of respect to the late Admiral Earl Beatty, whose funeral takes place to-day, warships in harbour are flying their flags at half-mast from 8 a.m. to sundown.

St. Patrick's Day, which falls to-morrow, will be observed by the Hongkong St. Patrick's Society by the laying of a wreath on the Cenotaph at 11.30 a.m. The band of the 1st Batln. Royal Ulster Rifles will be present, and the "Last Post" and "Reveille" will be sounded by the buglers of that Regiment.

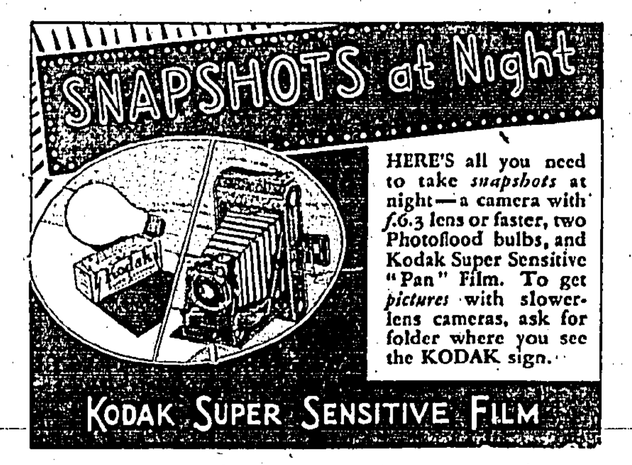


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Snake Said To Bring Ill Luck

East Grinstead (Sussex), Mar. 10.

HIGH over East Grinstead's new £30,000 hospital, on top of the tower, is a serpent—symbolical of Æsculapius, god of healing. It will not be there much longer. A weather vane is to replace it at a cost of £63.

Superstitious people in East Grinstead sigh with relief. For they regard the serpent as an omen of ill luck.

In support of their reasoning, they point to the facts that:

It rained heavily when the opening ceremony was performed by Princess Helena Victoria on January 8.

The hospital matron, Miss Garlett, and a nurse themselves became patients on the first day. The matron had quinsy trouble; the nurse suffered from a poisoned arm.

Two patients, an elderly woman and an eighteen-month-old child, died within ten days of the opening.

A steriliser broke down.

All the work of the sinister serpent said the superstitious ones.

WHAT PATIENTS SAID

The hospital authorities do not agree. Though most of them dislike the snake, they think the £63 could very well have been used for other purposes.

This is what some of the patients said—

Mrs. Dixon, undergoing a serious operation to-morrow: "Snakes don't trouble me—it's ridiculous."

Doreen Jones, aged thirteen, recently operated on for mastoids: "The snake doesn't frighten me."

Mrs. Skelton: "I was brought in here in a state of collapse and I'm getting on fine. The snake hasn't done me any harm."

The men patients are equally emphatic.

Still, the superstitious ones of East Grinstead will not sleep contentedly until the serpent that dominates their new hospital is taken down.

NO SNOW, NO CALIFORNIA



While large parts of the United States were visited by cold and snowstorms, film stars in California were able to practise sailing in bright sunshine. Charming Maureen O'Sullivan is seen aboard her yacht.

When Kipling Was The Editor

FOR 48 HOURS

Johannesburg, Transvaal, Mar. 6.

A UNIQUE signed copy of a programme bearing the words of Kipling's "The Absent-Minded Beggar" and a copy of a newspaper edited by him during the South African War form part of a Kipling Exhibition which has been opened here.

The newspaper is the *Friend*, of Bloemfontein, and bears the superscription, "Edited by the war correspondents with Lord Roberts."

Kipling boasted that he edited the newspaper for 48 hours.

Another newspaper in the exhibition is the Mafeking news sheet of January 29, 1900, dated "108th day of the siege." In spite of the difficulties of the time, the sheet devoted a column to the words of "The Absent-Minded Beggar," which was then being sung in theatres and music halls throughout the Empire.

There is also on show a copy of the only cheap edition of a work by Kipling which ever appeared. Mr. Kipling sold the copyright of "Departmental Ditties," and then discovered that it was being printed with a paper cover, priced at sixpence.

He was so mortified at the appearance of the book that he rebought the copyright and withdrew the whole edition.

The exhibition has been assembled by the acting director of the African Museum in the new public library here, Mr. W. B. Morrison, who was a friend of Kipling until his death, and a keen collector of his works.

"JUBILEE" HAS A PARTY AT LONDON ZOO

"Jubilee," the Zoo's greatest treasure and the most photographed and most discussed baby in London, threw a tea party last month to celebrate her first birthday anniversary.

It was a real chimpanzee's tea party with Jubilee and her mother, Boo-boo, the famous chimp, as hostesses.

On Jubilee's behalf the Zoo invited a large party of young children from humble homes, to be their guests in the Zoo. They assembled in the Zoo and were taken to see Jubilee and Boo-boo, but they saw her behind a glass screen so that she shouldn't catch a cold from them.

The tea was the jolly tea that the Zoo has served so well to millions of youngsters since the war days, but of course the cake had a real birthday character.

THRIVING WELL

Never before has the Zoo housed such a popular figure as this baby, 12 months old.

The baby thrived. She is a cheery little creature over 10lbs in weight and is now able and ready to "cheek" her mother, to the great delight of visitors.

She has come safely through the cold spell. Some time ago she caught a cold and her keepers had anxious days, but now she is skipping about, climbing up and down the ropes and wires and even trying the chimp's characteristic little trick of kicking the iron door with a bang.

Measles Without Misery

22 BOYS ENJOYED BEING ILL

The cases of 22 boys suffering with measles who were "bright and cheerful" throughout the attack and had to be reprimanded more than once for being "too high-spirited" are described in this month's *British Medical Journal*.

They were some of 40 boys in bed at one time during an epidemic of measles early this winter at a preparatory school near Malvern.

The remaining 18 boys "lay like logs" for three days, ill and miserable, and all had bronchitis with cough and severe respiratory symptoms. One had broncho-pneumonia.

NO AFTER-EFFECTS

The lightness with which the first group took the disease is ascribed to the protection given by convalescent serum. All 22 were inoculated.

They not only "enjoyed" measles, but showed no complications or after-effects. Their fever period was 0.5 days as against 1.7 days in the unprotected group. Their loss of weight was only 0.33lb., against 1.17lb.

Every chance should be taken to add to the supply of this serum, which is scarce, says G. W. Elkington, who describes the epidemic. He adds that the serum is "a powerful weapon" to ward off dreaded complications.

Canada Boils Currency, Then Sells Pulp Paper

Ottawa, Mar. 10.

The Canadian Government now "boils" its old banknotes instead of burning them.

Last year $50,000,000 in common bank notes were dumped into a huge vat and boiled to a pulp, which was sold to papermakers.

Burning of old bills was abandoned as "wasteful" and because of the possibility of scraps of notes, partially burned, being carried through chimneys to the outdoors.

—*United Press.*

EX-HANGMAN FAILS TO HANG HIMSELF

"LOSS OF SKILL"

Warsaw, Mar. 10.

Alfred Maciejewski, an ex-hangman, was found hanging from a tree in the park near the Belvedere Palace to-day. The knot, however, was faulty and he revived under medical treatment.

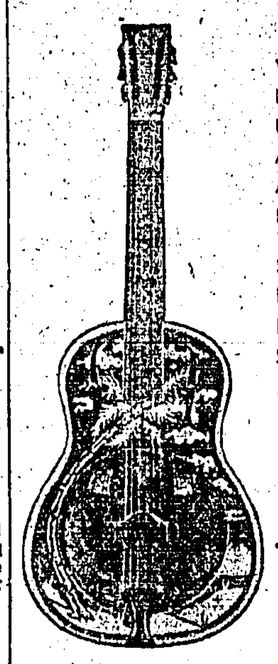
When questioned in court, he apologised for his "loss of professional skill." He explained that he had made the abortive attempt at suicide because he had been jilted by his sweetheart, who refused to have anything to do with an "ex-killer."

Maciejewski, whose real name is Kalt, unsuccessfully sued the State last June for £1,500 damages for injuries received in the execution of his official duties. He alleged that the injuries, which permanently affected his ability to earn a living, were due to a faulty rope being supplied when he was executing a gangster named Bloch.

The rope broke, he said, and Bloch, temporarily free, attacked him, kicking him savagely in the abdomen.

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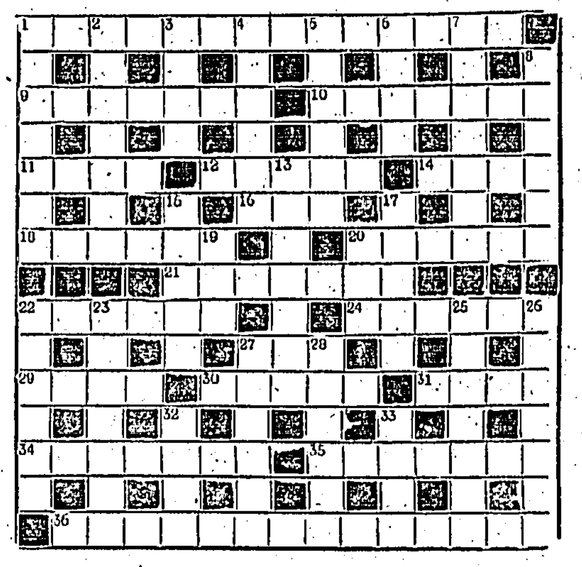
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9 Cambridge college.
10 Suitable coiffure for the sea-side?
11 This political economist was not well when he lost his head.
12 A saintly race.
14 Father wants nothing more to make this decoration.
16 To be found on a new penny.
18 Is this where the Italians get their 'planes from?
20 Two verbs together are frank.
21 "In grave" (anag.).
22 This dye is apparently far from sensible.
24 The "Mental Institution" of other days.
27 Hedge-row berry that may have cheery results.
29 Balsam.
30 A useful match.
31 The soft part of 9 across.
34 Of course only a foolish fellow would get into this part of his car.
35 Have a drink of wine for something strengthening.
36 Not a fleet officer unless fleet means fast.

DOWN

1 If this part of the body is upset it makes men bad and nothing more.
2 Flower.
3 Letters that were a protection to warriors.
4 Could this vessel do the work of a tug?
5 English county.
6 The chief reason for an assembly of cockfighters.
7 One whose actions if extreme are yet mean.
8 Past.
13 Book of the O.T.
15 This ally must be taken separately.
17 The sort of goods that might make one swear.
19 Title.
20 Vehicle.
22 Visitors to this Continental town find it altered in much.
23 Make of car.
25 This man is aged at last.
26 Giant.
27 Soldier.
28 This human being becomes more important with age.
32 A great expanse in Australasia.
33 A recess.

Saturday's Solution

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SPY STORY OF GLIDER-GIRL IN CLARET, WHITE AND GREEN: GORTZ GUILTY

WARS ON 'BOES



The campaign of Police Chief James E. Davis of Los Angeles to rid Southern California of vagrants by turning them back at state borders has caused widespread comment. Chief Davis sent squads of police to the Arizona, Nevada and Oregon borders to stop indigents entering the state.

Found! The Perfect Motorist

Trenton, N.J., Mar. 6.

Joseph S. Cortelyou of Haworth, Bergen county, is today in New Jersey's hall of fame for motorists after a citation by Arthur W. Magee, acting motor vehicle commissioner, for having driven motorcars for 39 years without a single accident, without ever receiving a "ticket" for traffic law violation and without ever getting a "bawling out" by a policeman.

Mr. Cortelyou has his office in New York, and commutes daily. Not only is he what Mr. Magee calls a "safe driver," but Mrs. Cortelyou also belongs in the same category.

Wife In Same Class

"She has a perfect record," Mr. Cortelyou said. "One reason is that she understands what makes the wheels go round."

Mr. Cortelyou is a mechanical engineer and is a builder of motorcars. He attributed his perfect record as a driver to "being careful."

"It's plain common sense," he said. "Some of the safety campaigns popular right now are pretty silly; an drivers to-day don't know enough about the mechanics of their cars. Twenty or 30 years ago, when a man bought a car, he often had to 'get out and get under' and had to understand the machinery to keep the car going. He understood his brakes and his gears. Cars were new and strange then and drivers were not so familiar with them, so they were more careful how they used them."

Speed And Safety

Mr. Cortelyou held that too much "harping" was done on speed in connection with talk about safety.

"Speed means nothing unless road, traffic and weather conditions are taken into consideration," he said.

Mr. Cortelyou had two suggestions with regard to safety. One was that state motor vehicle departments award an insignia of merit to drivers who have no accidents, the insignia to be fastened to the driver's car. The other was that drivers who had no accidents benefit by reduced insurance rates.

LATE KING'S LAST CHARTER

TO DANCING ACADEMY

One of the last Royal Charters to be granted by King George is now in the possession of the Royal Academy of Dancing, formerly the Association of Operatic Dancing of Great Britain, whose president is Mme. Genee-Isitt.

"Some months ago the King gave us permission to call the association the Royal Academy of Dancing," Mme. Genee-Isitt said. The Royal Charter was granted at the King's last Privy Council in London, and on Jan. 17 it received his signature at Sandringham.

GERMAN AIRMAN ON ESPIONAGE TRIAL

Photographs from R. A. F. Man and Cipher Code

A GERMAN aviator's visits to aerodromes in East Anglia; the discovery in his rooms of a cipher identification system; a copy of an application for employment in the German Intelligence Service; and the friendship of a young woman, stated to be his niece, with a young R.A.F. aircraftman. . . .

These were points in the prosecution's case against Hermann Gortz (45), a doctor, lawyer, novelist, and former member of the German Air Service, who was found Guilty in London last week with contravening the Official Secrets Act, and was sentenced to four years' penal servitude.

The aircraftman, Kenneth Lewis, stated that the young woman described as Dr. Gortz's niece, Marianne Emig, spoke to him when his motor-cycle broke down. She wore claret-coloured breeches, a white scarf and a green jumper.

At her request he sent her photographs of aeroplanes, but these could have been bought at any shop. During his leave he saw her nearly every day.

STAYED NEAR AERODROME

Mr. H. J. Parham appeared for the Director of Public Prosecutions, and Mr. Alexander Cairns defended.

Gortz, a tall, upright figure, appeared in the dock with his dark hair immaculately brushed and wearing a smart double-breasted suit, khaki shirt and red tie.

Outlining the case, Mr. Parham said that Gortz landed at Harwich on Aug. 29 this year and described himself as a lawyer novelist who had come to study export law cases at Cambridge. He had been to this country before.

On Sept. 11 he came to Broadstairs with a young woman and took a bungalow in Stanley Road.

AIRCRAFTMAN INVITED TO GERMANY

Gortz and the young woman, Marianne Emig, occupied the bungalow from September 14 to a date in October. They became friendly with a young aircraftman from Manston Aerodrome who was on leave, and appeared anxious to get information about the aerodrome.

She asked the airman to let her have photographs of R.A.F. machines and to send her postcards of machines and also aerial photographs of the station at Lee on Solent.

She also said that she and her uncle were returning to Germany any day on important work and she invited the aircraftman to go to Germany, saying she would help him financially.

It was agreed that they should write to each other. Miss Emig asked him to write on R.A.F. paper, use envelopes with the R.A.F. crest and to destroy any letters he might get from her.

When Dr. Gortz was arrested on his return from Germany on him were three letters addressed from the aircraftman to the young woman and some photographs of aeroplanes sent by him.

On October 26, Mr. Parham continued, the police found at the bungalow a large number of articles which clearly indicated that Dr. Gortz had been making extensive researches regarding the R.A.F. The most important was a sketch of the aerodrome at Manston.

Notes on the sketch made it clear that the information fell within the category "information which might be useful to an enemy."

Dr. Gortz again landed at Harwich on Nov. 8 and was taken into custody. On him were found a large number of articles which showed that he had been assiduously collecting R.A.F. information.

Later he made a remark which, Mr. Parham submitted, rather indicated that the friendship between Miss Emig and the airman was not of an innocent character.

He said to the officer, "Perhaps Miss Emig, my niece, has been getting herself into trouble because she had been friendly with a young fellow in the Air Force who has been sending her photographs."

"MATERIAL FOR A NOVEL"

When charged he made a long statement, supplemented later by another, and in them he made three points:

1 That the material he was collecting was for a novel he was writing and also for an essay on the enlargement of the British Air Force.
2 That what he did he did openly.
3 That he had no intention of infringing the law.

At the bungalow was also found a copy of an application regarding employment in the German Intelligence Service and also a cypher indicator.

There was also found a document apparently a letter to his wife, unfinished and undated, in which he referred to the fact that he wished to place himself at the disposal of the Secret Service and to show them they had made a mistake in refusing him.

Evidence was then called.

Mrs. Florence E. Johnson, the owner of the bungalow in which Dr. Gortz lived at Broadstairs, said that he had an overall for motor-cycling, and in the pocket she found a camera.

AIRCRAFTMAN IN WITNESS-BOX

Kenneth Lewis, a fresh-complexioned young aircraftman in R.A.F. uniform, was next called. He said that now he was stationed at Halton R.A.F. camp.

In September he was stationed with the R.A.F. at Lee-on-Solent. He had 10 days' leave, and motor-cycled to his home at Broadstairs.

After about a week he had some ignition trouble with his bicycle at the bottom of Crow Hill. A young woman with a motor-cycle came up and asked if she could help him.

Mr. Parham produced a photograph which Lewis said was his and was of the young woman. Lewis said that she was wearing claret-coloured breeches, a white scarf and a green pullover. He was wearing Army service uniform.

SAW HER NEARLY EVERY DAY

Lewis said that he saw her the next day by her appointment, and during the remaining week of his leave he saw her nearly every day.

He returned to Lee-on-Solent, but returned to Broadstairs about a fort night later for the week-end. On the Saturday he had tea at the invitation of the young woman, Miss Emig, at the bungalow with her and Dr. Gortz.

Mr. Parham: What was the topic of conversation at the tea table?—In ten minutes Dr. Gortz started to tell me his experience in the German Air Force. Gradually the conversation worked round to the Royal Air Force.

Mr. Parham: Did they both take part in this conversation?—Yes, sir.

GIRL GLIDER IN GERMANY

Did they either, or both of them, seem to have much knowledge about the British Air Force?—I was surprised at the information, they were able to tell me about the Royal Air Force.

Lewis stated that Miss Emig mentioned Manston twice, and she seemed to have an excellent knowledge of it. She told him that she was very interested in flying and was a girl glider in Germany.

Lewis said that at the tea table on that afternoon he mentioned that he still had about 14 days leave and she asked him if he would go to Germany to spend a holiday there. He told her that he could not afford it.

Miss Emig told him that she would help him financially. She also told him that she and Dr. Gortz would be returning to Germany any day.

DESTROYED HER LETTERS

Mr. Parham: Did she make some remark about a possible war?—Yes; she just mentioned that I was to remember that if there was another war Germany would be on the English side.

Lewis said that he had written to Miss Emig at her request using R.A.F. crested paper and envelopes. He had now two letters and two postcards he had received from her. Other letters he had destroyed at her request.

He was given to understand that Dr. Gortz and Miss Emig were returning to Germany in regard to the former's novel.

After Miss Emig had gone to Germany they continued to write to one another. At first he wrote to her at Hamburg and then she sent a postcard asking him to write to an address in Berlin.

Mr. Parham read the address: "Berlin W 8, Hospiz am Gendarmen Marke," and produced three letters which Lewis said he had written, and pointed out that they were found in the possession of Dr. Gortz, and still contained photographs of aerial machines.

COULD BE BOUGHT IN A SHOP

Lewis said that he also sent newspaper cuttings of no value, and a semi-aerial view of the front of Lee-on-Solent air station. This photograph was missing from the envelope.

Mr. Cairns (cross-examining): So far as you know, you have not supplied Miss Emig with any secret information?—No, sir.

And these photographs which you sent, including the semi-aerial view, could all be bought at an ordinary shop?—Yes.

And you were asked to label it by adding an R.A.F. crest on the envelop?—Yes.

So that if any secrets were being communicated to Hamburg or Berlin there is a warning outside the envelope, "Just watch this"?—Yes, but it was a protection as well.

It does not prevent the Post Office opening such letters?—They do open them in Germany, I believe.

You sent nothing you think you ought not to have sent?—No.

MEMBER OF NAZI FLYING CLUB

Detective-Sergeant Allen, who arrested Dr. Gortz at Harwich, said that a search of his baggage revealed a series of documents. There was a Press cutting relating to Wing-Commander Smith, of the R.A.F., a letter from Dr. Heinrich Rohl, a diary and notebook, and a sheet from the "Air Pilot" relating to Hornchurch.

Detective-Sergeant Ivor T. Williams stated that Dr. Gortz, when in his custody, said that he was a frequent visitor to England until the spring of 1931 engaged on business for Siemens, as he was their lawyer.

After leaving the firm he tried, he said, to obtain British financial help for a large hotel in Hamburg.

"I was a pilot in the war," he added, "but now do some private flying with the Nazi private flying club in Hamburg."

Detective F. Smith produced articles found in the bungalow.

They included an identity sheet relating to Dr. Gortz, a file of papers including a letter addressed to "Dear Gaga," a book called the "Air Pilot," a plan of Manston Aerodrome (found in a trunk), and a sketch map showing the aerodromes in South-East England.

There was also an R.A.F. list 1935, a list of publications on aeronautics, a map of East Anglia, an exercise book bearing the name of Marianne Emig and enclosing newspaper cuttings, an R.A.F. diary, souvenir postcards of H.M.S. Eagle, aircraft carrier, a cipher identification indicator, a writing pad with a draft letter beginning "Dear Mr. Lewis."

DR. GORTZ'S ALLEGED STATEMENT

The detective said that Dr. Gortz stated that he was a resident of Hamburg. "I do not think I hurt in any way the law," he added. "In any case I had no intent to offend the hospitality I enjoy in England."

He said that he intended to get some stuff for a great novel with a setting in East Anglia and the German country of Anglia (Schleswig-Holstein) describing two families connected by origin and later by marriage. On the horizon, in his story, was the danger of a European war.

Dr. Gortz stated that after holidays of a month in Freshwater, Isle of Wight, Slapton, in Devon near Dartmouth, and Launceston, Cornwall, he went by motor-bicycle, accompanied by Miss Emig, to Suffolk.

Later they stayed at Burton Mill, between Cambridge and Thetford. They found at Mildenhall a guest-house, the owner of which was Mr. Lewis.

HIS INTEREST AS AN AVIATOR

He went to Germany and arranged sufficient means to maintain him to the end of the year.

Returning to the guest-house he and Miss Emig cycled to places such as Ely, King's Lynn, Norwich and Bury St. Edmunds. At Mildenhall they saw the aerodrome being constructed.

As a war aviator and still a pilot he was interested in new airports and he found that the greater number of these were in East Anglia, Norfolk, Suffolk and Lincoln, so he saw that his idea of the story in his novel was reality.

At a bookstall he asked if, as a foreigner, he was allowed to buy the Air Force List and he was told that everybody could buy it.

He made the sketch of Manston aerodrome from a public road, after getting permission from an airman. He told him he was a German. He did not hide anything. He had intended to write an essay on the development of the R.A.F.

STORY OF R.A.F. MAN'S LETTER

Dr. Gortz's statement added that "One day Miss Emig got a letter addressed 'Miss Zundapp' from a certain Kenneth Lewis. We both did not know this young man. He said in his letter that he was admiring Miss Emig for smart riding and that he was interested in motor-cycling and he asked in a very polite form if he could see her, with my permission.

"Miss Emig showed me this letter and I was very glad she had found a young man with whom she could talk and write English as she was trying to learn this language."

Major W. E. H. Cook, of the War Office, read a letter stated to be from Dr. Gortz to his wife, saying: "Do not let us get to hate each other," speaking of "cruel years" and "the spectre of bankruptcy standing in front of me," and saying he would like to place himself at the disposal of the Secret Service.

Dr. Gortz sprang up and, gesticulating with his arms, cried, "I protest against these translations. All these things are in a quite wrong and different light. It is a wrong translation."

CIPHER IDENTIFICATION

An alleged letter of Dr. Gortz applying for employment in the German Air Ministry was stated to say that he was in contact with American and English wartime officers through his work of examining prisoners.

"I was successful in my methods of interrogation in which I used drawing-room tones," the letter was stated to say. "There was hardly an aviator from whom I was unable to get more or less important statements."

Major Cook explained to the Bench a system of cipher and cipher identification which was alleged to have been found in Dr. Gortz' possession.

Major Cook agreed that the cipher was a means of checking the identification of the sender of information. It did not attempt to conceal the other contents of the communication.

On the application of Mr. Parham the court was cleared so that the evidence of three witnesses from the Air Ministry might be taken in camera.

ASKS $110,000



While workmen were ripping up a carpet in her apartment, charges Betty Burns, film actress, a tack flew into her eye, imparing her vision. She has filed suit for $110,000 against Los Angeles apartment owners.

Hongkong Doctors For Surgical Convention

HONOLULU MEET

Honolulu, Mar. 12.

PROMINENT surgeons from all countries bordering the Pacific will gather in Honolulu August 6 to 14 for the second congress of the Pan Pacific Surgical Association at which latest developments in all phases of surgery will come under discussion.

An official invitation to the governments of the United States, Canada, Central and South America, Australia, New Zealand, Japan, China, Hongkong, Java and the Philippines to send delegates to the congress has been extended at the request of the governor of Hawaii by the U.S. State Department.

Many of the noted medical experts who participated in the first congress held here in 1929 have signified their intention of attending this summer's meeting.

Among the medical experts expected to take an active part in the congress will be W. S. New, chairman, Chinese Medical Association, Shanghai; J. H. Liu, director, Department of Health, Nanking; P. F. Greene, chief of surgical division, Huanan-Yale Medical College, Changshau; H. L. Chang, Peiping Union Medical College; B. Martin, head of department of surgery, Sun Yat-sen University, Canton, Prof. H. Digby, University of Hongkong; Y. S. Lee, Severenace Union Medical College, Seoul, Korea; E. Nowak, Soerabaia, Java; J. K. W. Neuberger and J. Kuilman, Semarang, Java; Archibald Watson, Adelaide University; Sir James Barrett and T. F. Ryan, Melbourne; J. Hardie Neil, Auckland, N.Z.; H. O. Barnes, Los Angeles; Clarence E. Rees, San Diego; J. C. Geiger, director of public health, San Francisco; W. Jones Harriman, Long Beach; L. R. Chandler, dean of school of medicine, Stanford University, Palo Alto, California; A. H. Peacock and A. T. Wannamaker, Seattle, Wash., C. Jeff Miller, New Orleans; Malcolm T. MacEachern, associate director, American College of Surgeons, Chicago.

The congress will be divided into fourteen major sections for discussion and study. The divisions include: general surgery, surgical research, neuro-surgery, plastic surgery, traumatic surgery, orthopedic surgery, otolaryngology, ophthalmology, malignancy, proctology, anesthesia, gynecology and obstetrics, roentgenology and neurological surgery.

Dr. George W. Swift, Seattle, Wash., internationally prominent for his work in neuro-surgery and president of the Pan Pacific Surgical Association, will preside over the congress.—*United Press.*



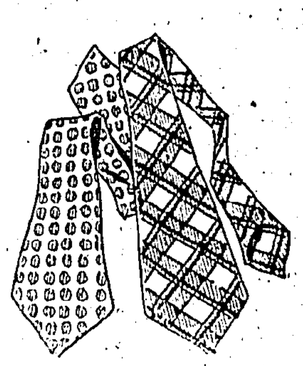
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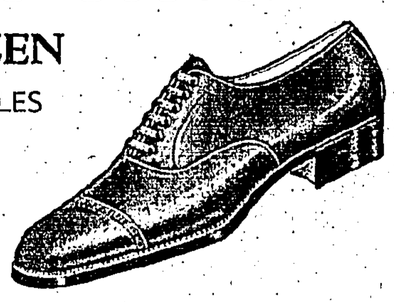
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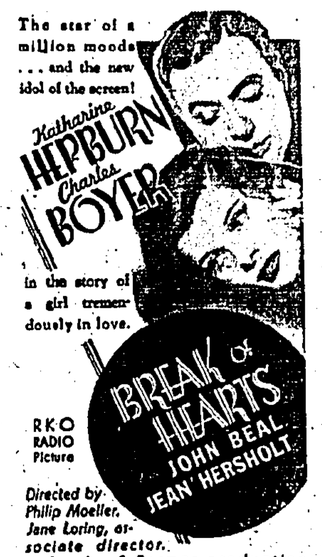
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 47th Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the offices of the Company, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, Hong Kong, on **Wednesday, the 18th** day of March, 1936, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1935.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Tuesday, the 10th March, 1936, to Wednesday, the 18th March, 1936, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
T. C. T. BECK,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 18th February, 1936.

WORLD TOUR

AMERICAN PARTY IN HONGKONG

A party of 17 tourists arrived here yesterday from Shanghai on the J.C.J.L. liner Tjinegara. The tour is being conducted by Deane H. Dickason and his wife, Sally, who call their tour the Far Harbours Tour.

The group sailed from San Francisco on February 8, and will not return to New York for at least 132 days. In the meantime, they will have spent a week in Japan, two weeks in China, five days in Bali, ten days in Java, ten days in Sumatra and the new-found island of Nias, and a month in India, including ten days on a houseboat in the Vale of Kashmir and a sidetrip to Khyber Pass, on the Afghanistan frontier.

Theirs will be the first organized party ever to visit the Vale of Kashmir and Khyber Pass, Sumatra and Nias, the latter named place being an unsung, virtually unknown little island situated just off Sumatra's west coast barely a degree north of the equator, harbouring a quaint civilization that the Dickasons predict may soon be as inviting and popular as Bali.

Deane Dickason is best known as director and lecturer of World and South Sea Cruises, also as producer and narrator of the "Port o' Call" Series of cinema travelogues.

His wife, Sally, is perhaps the foremost arbiter of travel fashions anywhere in the world to-day. For two years she has been affiliated with Bonwit Teller, exclusive Fifth Avenue women's shop, as travel fashion authority. In that time she has published two manuals for feminine travellers, one "Your Travel Wardrobe: What to Wear Everywhere," and the other, "Sally's Little Green Book: A Shoppers' Round-the-World Guide."

The Dickasons last visited the Orient on the Resolute world cruise last spring, and before that on the around Pacific cruises of the Lurline in 1933 and 1934.

The members of their present Far Harbours Tour are:

Pedro E. Cassarino, Montevideo, Uruguay; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Cohen, Hempstead, Long Island; Mrs. Pearl W. Dore, Baltimore, Maryland; Mr. and Mrs. William H. Emery, Elmhurst, Illinois; Mrs. Elizabeth H. Fisher, Beverly Hills, California; Paul J. Friday, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Mrs. A. A. Halsey, Wheatland, California; Mr. and Mrs. Harry de Goller King, Glen Ridge, New Jersey; Mrs. Frances B. Milbank, Los Angeles, California; Miss Mary W. Ross, Chester, Pennsylvania; J. Duane Taylor, New York City, and Mrs. E. A. Weiss, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

FIRE IN DWELLING

ELECTRIC WIRES FUSE AND START A BLAZE

A small fire broke out in the first floor of No. 150 Yee Kuk Street, Mongkok, about 11 p.m. on Friday, and was extinguished in a short time by the inmates, the Police and the Fire Brigade, but not before considerable damage, amounting to about $600, had been done to clothing and bedding.

The floor was used as a dwelling house, but the inmates fortunately escaped. The fire originated in a rear cubicle as a result of the electric wires fusing. The wire was tied to a bed, and when it fused, the mosquito net caught fire and soon the blaze had spread. The damage is not covered by insurance.

An unusually large crowd eagerly awaited the arrival in Macao yesterday morning of the Kinshan from Hongkong, owing to the presence on board of Miss Anna May Wong, the celebrated film star. Miss Wong, accompanied by her sister, enjoyed the variety of diversion Macao has to offer to week-end excursionists from Hongkong.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY.

Tuesday, 17th March, 1936.

A wreath will be laid at the Cenotaph by the President and Committee of St. Patrick's Society of Hong Kong at 11.30 a.m.

By the kind permission of Lieut: Colonel R.M. Rodwell and officers, the Band of the 1st Battalion The Royal Ulster Rifles will be present and the "Last Post" and "Reveille" will be sounded by Buglers of the Regiment.

Members of the Society and their friends are asked to co-operate by assembling on the North side of the Supreme Court at 11.15 a.m.

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Hon. Secretary.
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that INTEREST for the six months ending 31st MARCH, 1936, on the above DEBENTURES will be payable at the OFFICES of the COMPANY ON THAT DATE.

THE REGISTER OF DEBENTURES will be closed from MONDAY, the 23rd MARCH, to MONDAY, the 30th MARCH, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of DEBENTURES can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
O. EAGER,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 13th March, 1936.

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Office of the Company, 2, Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on **Monday, 30th March, 1936, at Noon,** for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending **31st December, 1935.**

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 21st to 30th March, 1936, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
E. COCK,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 12th March, 1936.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

Notice To Shareholders.

The Sixty-seventh Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on **Friday, the 27th March, 1936, at Noon,** for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the **31st December, 1935.**

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the **13th** to the **27th March, 1936,** both days inclusive.

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Hongkong, 6th March, 1936.

NOTICE.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the THIRTY-NINTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held in the Jacobean Room, 1st floor, Hong Kong Hotel, Pedder Street, Hongkong on **FRIDAY, 27th MARCH, 1936, at 12.30 p.m.** for the purpose of Receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors for the year ended **31st December, 1935;** Electing Directors and Auditors, and for the transaction of any other Ordinary business of the Company.

NOTICE is also hereby given that the Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from **TUESDAY, 17th MARCH, 1936,** until **FRIDAY, 27th MARCH, 1936,** both days inclusive, during which period no transfers of Shares can be registered.

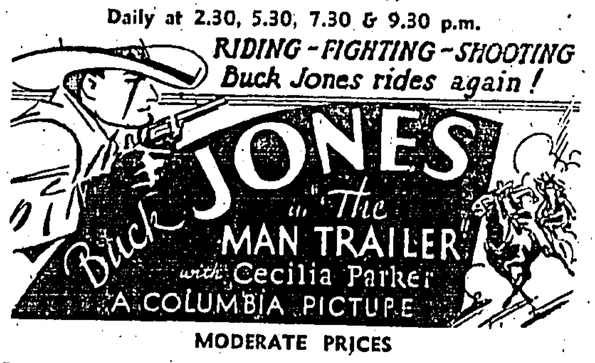
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Swatow and Amoy	Anshun	Mon., Mar. 16, 12.30 p.m.
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Tuesday.		
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Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, *U.S.A., *C. and *S. America, *Canada and *Europe via San Francisco and *Europe via Siberia. (Due San Francisco, 10th April).	Taiyo Maru — Reg., Mar. 17, 4.15 p.m. — Letters, Mar. 17, 5 p.m.	Tues., Mar. 17
Wednesday		
Bangkok via Swatow	Kweiyang	Wed., Mar. 18, 1.30 p.m.
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Amoy	Taiyuan	Wed., Mar. 18, 3.30 p.m.
Thursday.		
*Japan and *Canada (Due Victoria B.C., 13th April).	Ixion	Thurs., Mar. 19, 9.30 a.m.
Shanghai, *Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. and S. America and *Europe via Vancouver, B.C., (Parcels for Canada only) and *Europe via Siberia (Due Vancouver B.C., 6th April).	Emp. of Asia — Parcels, Mar. 19, 3 p.m. — Reg., Mar. 19, 4.15 p.m. — Letters, Mar. 19, 5 p.m.	Thurs., Mar. 19,
Friday.		
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Japan	Kamo Maru	Fri., Mar. 20, 9.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan and *Europe via Siberia.	Naldera	Fri., Mar. 20, 10.30 a.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kwangtung	Fri., Mar. 20, 1 p.m.
Saturday.		
Letters for "Imperial Service"—due London, 3rd April.	Corfu	Sat., Mar. 21.
Letters for "K.L.M. Service"—due Amsterdam, 30th March. K. P. O.: Reg., Mar. 21, 8.30 a.m.; Letters, Mar. 21, 9 a.m. — G. P. O.: Reg., Mar. 21, 9 a.m.; Letters, Mar. 21, 9.30 a.m.		
Straits, Ceylon, India, E. and *S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles. (Due Marseilles, 17th April). K. P. O.: Parcels, Mar. 20, 4.30 p.m.; Reg., Mar. 21, 9 a.m.; Letters, Mar. 21, 10 a.m. — G. P. O.: Parcels, Mar. 20, 5 p.m.; Reg., Mar. 21, 9.45 a.m.; Letters, Mar. 21, 10.30 a.m.	Corfu	Sat., Mar. 21.
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Manila	Pres. Jackson	Sat., Mar. 21, 4.30 p.m.
Monday.		
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Letters for "Imperial Service"—due London, 6th April.	Montevideo Maru	Mon., Mar. 23.
Letters for "Singapore Australia Service"—due Darwin, 31st March. K. P. O.: Reg., Mar. 23, 12.30 p.m.; Letters, Mar. 23, 1 p.m. — G. P. O.: Reg., Mar. 23, 1 p.m.; Letters, Mar. 23, 1.30 p.m.		
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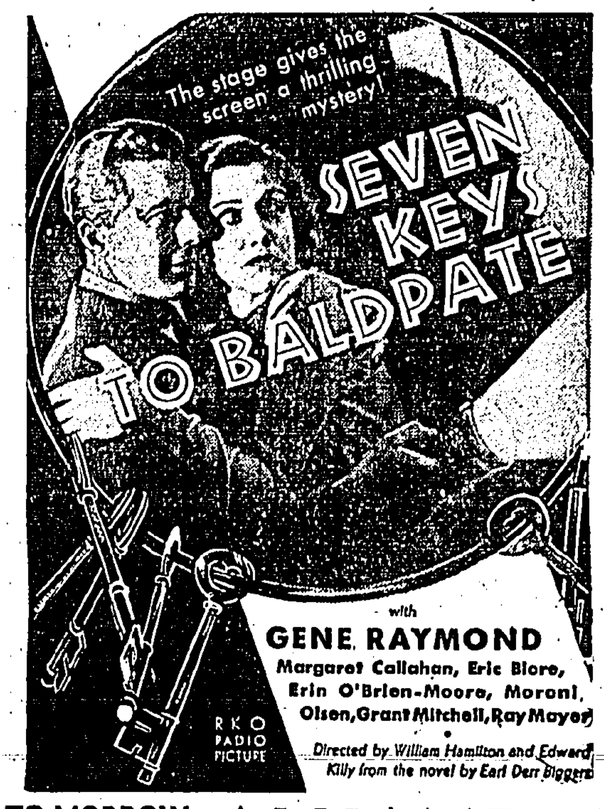
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CINEMA NOTES

Getting away from the gloom of mystery plots, a wealth of comedy enlivens the spooky chills of Gene Raymond's new adventures in RKO Radio's "Seven Keys to Baldpate," showing on Tuesday and Wednesday at the Alhambra. While unexpected and mysterious happenings occur throughout the story, its hilarious angles and dialogue mark this brilliant offering as something unique in screen thrillers. Raymond's talents as a mirth-maker are given full play and in the course of the swift-moving plot practically every member of the cast turns comedian for a time. As a result, laughs come thick and fast in every reel of the picture, based on Earl Derr Biggers' famous story and the play by George M. Cohan. Margaret Callahan, beautiful leading lady of the production; Erin O'Brien-Moore, Eric Blore of "Top Hat" fame, Moroni Olsen of "Annie Oakley" fame, Ray Mayer, Grant Mitchell, Henry Travers and other noted players have featured roles, and Edward Killy and William Hamilton, who made "Freckles," directed.

"Four Hours to Kill"

Theatre Hides Escaped Killer in Thrill Film! Drama in a theatre that takes place in front of the footlights, instead of behind, is the story told in Paramount's "Four Hours To Kill," starring Richard Barthelmess, next attraction at the Queen's Theatre. Barthelmess plays an escaped convict, hiding in the theatre and waiting for his chance to get the man who squealed on him. In the same audience are others whose life dramas are bound with his. A cloakroom boy who has stolen to get money, a rich woman planning to run away with her sweetheart, a handsome philanderer who preys on impressionable women. While police frantically search for Barthelmess, he makes a telephone call that lures his victim to the lobby of the theatre. Then, just as the separate life dramas of the others are rising to their climaxes, he steps from his hiding place and shoots down the man before the eyes of an aghast audience. How the criminal is caught and the tangled lives of the others straightened out furnishes the climax to a thrilling drama. Norman Krasna's "Small Miracle," the hit of the current Broadway season, furnished the original from which "Four Hours to Kill" was written. Directed by Mitchell Leisen. The picture features Joe Morrison, Helen Mack and others.

"Riffraff"

Jean Harlow takes her place among the outstanding dramatic actress of the screen, Spencer Tracy turns in the finest performance of his distinguished career, and drama vies with comedy for entertainment honours in "Riffraff", new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer feature now at the King's Theatre. Thoroughly "different" and thoroughly entertaining is "Riffraff." It is in many respects one of the most unusual films turned out of Hollywood in many a moon, daring in its theme, uncompromising in its treatment, and vividly realistic from first scene to last. Always original, Irving G. Thalberg selected M-G-M's two most elemental stars to top the distinguished cast of players, and in every respect the selection proves to be happy. Tracy's role makes him a domineering dominating, two-fisted seagoing man who thinks he is immune to feminine wiles until he meets Miss Harlow, the belle of the waterfront, who forgets her distrust of men in giving him a love that is almost glorious, yet masked with biting sarcasm. The love affair of these two, their marriage, the trials that come to them and their ultimate union of understanding make for magnificent drama, played against the shifting mystery of the sea. Yet with the drama is humour of the sort that brings a lump to the throat. It is a picture that is recommended without reservation. With the stars, directed by J. Walter Ruben, is a notable cast headed by Una Merkel and Joseph Calleia and including such favourites as Victor Kilian, Mickey Rooney, J. Farrell MacDonald, Roger Imhoff, Juanita Quigley, Paul Hurst, Vince Barnett, Dorothy Appleby and Judith Wood. Each of these deserves ample praise. Every performance is noteworthy, contributing to the final effect of superb entertainment.

"The Bride Comes Home"

One of the smartest comedy romances of the year—"The Bride Comes Home," now screening at the Queen's Theatre, in which Claudette Colbert and Fred MacMurray are starred. In a day when it is difficult to get away from the patterned story, this tale of a modern boy and girl who can't spend five minutes together without fighting, yet who find they can't stay away from each other, is as refreshing as a spring breeze in the hill country. Miss Colbert is the daughter of a Chicago financier who had gone distressingly broke. Though reared in great luxury, the girl nevertheless has plenty of spunk, and decides to go to work. Robert Young as a childhood sweetheart, has just inherited three million dollars but Claudette feels she would prefer getting a job to marrying him. She does go to work, as assistant editor of the magazine Young publishes, where she is made assistant to the editor, Fred MacMurray. MacMurray is a hardboiled, rough-spoken fellow, who resents Miss Colbert's presence. They fight from the moment they meet. Both the boy and the girl seem to have been born with a liberal quantity of the old Ned in them, and they find it exceedingly hard to speak a civil word to each other until they happen to fall in love. Their battles, however, annihilate their plans for marriage and Miss Colbert, for sheer spite, elopes with Young. MacMurray pursues them on a motor-cycle and the wind-up comes in a marrying squire's home, with the squire himself a past master at shouting down arguments.



Fascinating Katharine Hepburn has a thrilling romantic experience with Charles Boyer in RKO Radio's "Breaker of Hearts," coming on Thursday to the King's Theatre.

FATAL ACCIDENT

LORRY DRIVER CHARGED WITH MANSLAUGHTER

A fatal traffic accident in the Bay View district on Friday morning had a sequel in the Police Court before Mr. W. Schofield on Saturday, when a charge of manslaughter was preferred against Au Choi, driver of lorry No. 1047.

It appears that the lorry was being driven in a westerly direction in Electric Road about 9.30 a.m. on Friday when it ran into a cyclist coming in the opposite direction. The cyclist, Choi Nam, received severe injuries to which he succumbed at the Government Civil Hospital at 4.30 p.m. the same day.

Traffic Inspector Alexander applied for a week's formal remand, the application being allowed.

SHING MUN ACCIDENT

EXPLOSION INJURES FIVE WORKMEN

A serious accident occurred at Shing Mun Valley yesterday morning resulting in five workmen being sent to hospital suffering from injuries sustained through a gelignite charge exploding prematurely while preparing for blasting operations at Pineapple Pass Dam.

One of the injured men, Wong Lik, a foreman, had his jaw shattered while another coolie's fingers were almost completely severed.

Wong Lik was removed to the Kowloon Hospital together with Wong Nuen, stone coolie, and Tang Kwai-fong, truck coolie, both of whom are suffering from severe face and body injuries; and Yau Kiu, stone coolie, whose fingers were badly cut.

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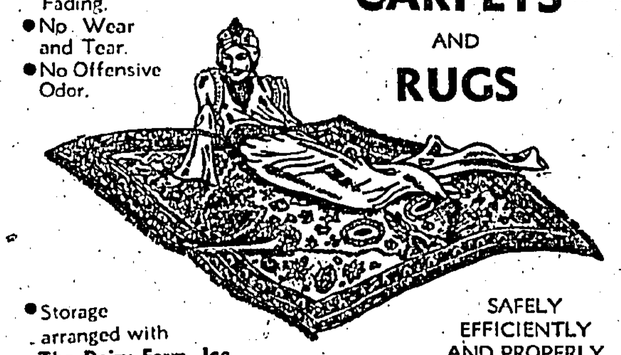
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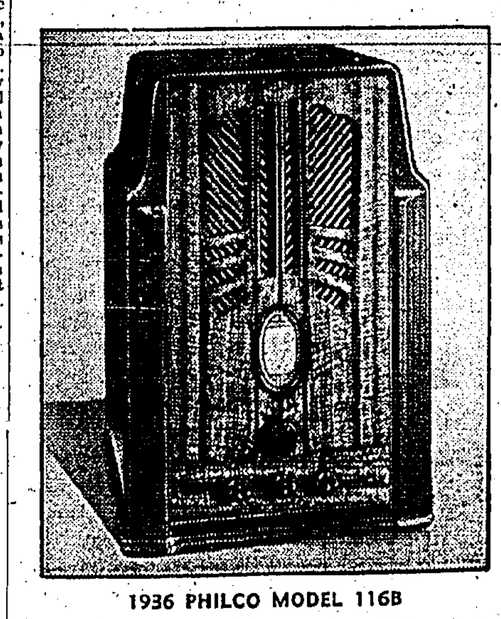
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EXAMINATIONS

An offshoot of the complaints which are being heard at Home regarding the lack of promise shown by many applicants for posts in the business world, especially young people, is the increasing tendency on the part of some business establishments to hold little examinations of their own. In this connection, we see it stated that employers are somewhat appalled at the ignorance of what they are pleased to call everyday facts which is shown by the applicants. There is, however, a point to be borne in mind, namely, that the self-appointed examiners have the advantage of being able to choose their own questions, and, on such a basis, most of us could no doubt be appalled at the ignorance of others. Admittedly, it is possible, by questioning and by the examination method, to gain some idea as to the likely aptitude of an applicant for a particular type of work, but it is worth asking whether the owner of a mind crammed with facts which may be of little use is always likely to make the ablest and most progressive worker. There are many capable people who have never aimed at carrying a large assortment of facts about with them—people who consider that energy, initiative and enterprise are much more important. There is, moreover, the type of person who knows where he can get the facts if and when wanted—and it is to be feared that many of the facts which examiners, in school or otherwise, seek to elicit are never really needed; they are often so much limber. Intelligence testing is a department of education for which many people show great enthusiasm, but it is well to remember that the human mind is not always amenable to yard-stick methods. Nor is the examination system a wholly trustworthy guide to the mental capacity or ability of young people. If examiners were infallible, it might be more nearly so, but evidence has shown that they are far from infallible, which is another way of saying that even examiners, despite appearances to the contrary, are human. That the examination system has its uses cannot be denied, but its importance and value can be over-stressed. This fact is becoming increasingly acknowledged, and, in particular, set examinations at stated intervals are getting into disfavour amongst educationists who have vision and who look beyond the immediate future.

NOTES OF THE DAY

THE "HAVE-NOTS"

Whether or not there is satisfaction with the result of the recent debate in the House of Commons on Mr. George Lansbury's motion urging the summoning of a new international conference to deal with such problems as access to raw materials, it is all to the good that the problem has been discussed. No one who has studied international affairs doubts that sooner or later the problem of the "haves" and "have-nots" must be courageously faced. Indeed, the only difference between the various political parties as revealed by the debate would appear to be the opportuneness of holding the conference at the present juncture. The principle of holding such a conference was not challenged. As is to be expected the problem is one that is exercising the attention of the nearly three thousand branches of the British League of Nations Union up and down the country. At the last General Council meeting of the Union, held in London in December, several resolutions dealing with this problem were brought forward by branches and these gave rise to a very lively discussion. It was agreed that the Executive Committee should undertake a study of the proposals brought forward and that the various resolutions should be considered by the General Council at a further meeting. As contribution to the study of the problem the Union has just published a pamphlet on 'The Demand for Colonies, Territorial Expansion, Over Population and Raw materials' which is attracting considerable attention and is likely to form the basis of discussion in numerous study circles. This should stimulate the growth of an informed and enlightened public opinion in regard to a problem which unless solved may sooner or later plunge the world into war.

AFRICAN SCRAMBLE

THE Italians are speaking the truth when they tell us that they have come off badly in the present partition of Africa. Apart from the two sovereign independent African states of Abyssinia and Liberia, the whole continent is parcelled out to-day into the colonies, protectorates, mandated territories and self-governing dominions of six Powers—the British Commonwealth, France, Portugal, Belgium, Italy and Spain—and of all these African empires the Spanish alone is smaller and poorer than the Italian.

Italy's African empire consists of three widely separated territories. Nearest home there is Libya, which fronts on to the African coast of the Mediterranean immediately opposite Sicily and Malta.

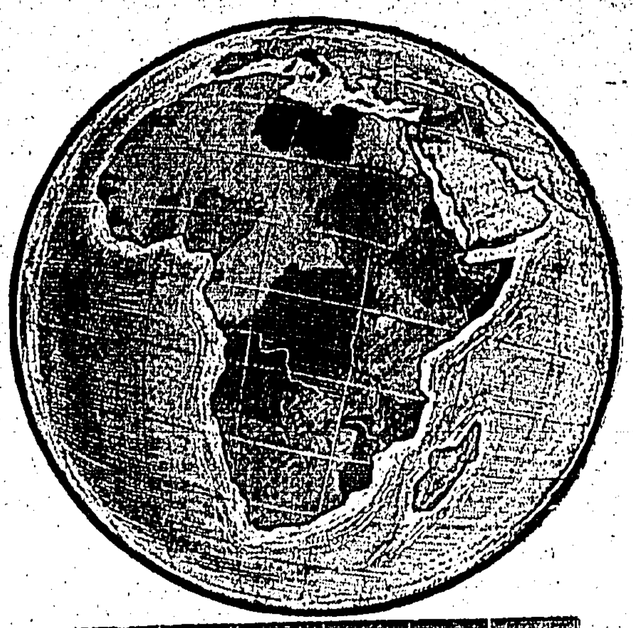
Next comes Eritrea, at the south end of the African coast of the Red Sea. Finally there is Italian Somaliland, which starts at the "horn" of Africa and runs down the African coast of the Indian Ocean to the eastern frontier of our own Kenya Colony.

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BY far the greater part of all these three colonies is desert—or, at best, "a country with a very light soil," as Lord Salisbury once diplomatically described the French possessions in the Sahara. In fact, if one runs one's eye over the map, one can pick out only three small patches of Italian territory in Africa that have any appreciable value; and, of these, only two are at all suitable for settlement by European colonists.

A European population could certainly make itself at home on the plateau of Cyrenaica (the bulge on the coast of North Africa between Tripolitania and Egypt). Possibly Europeans could also acclimatise themselves on the highlands of North-Western Eritrea—though, as a matter of fact, the Italian population of Eritrea is only about 3,000 strong to-day, after the country has been in Italian hands for the best part of half a century.

The third valuable patch of Italian colonial territory in Africa is Jubaland, at the south-western end of Italian Somaliland. Jubaland is a low-lying tropical tract which is not suitable for European settlement; but it can at least produce cotton and other tropical or semi-tropical crops.



FRENCH BELGIAN ABYSSINIA ITALIAN PORTUGUES BRITISH

By Prof. A. J. TOYNBEE

It may be noted in passing that, before the war, Jubaland was part of British East Africa, and that it has been ceded by the British Empire to Italy in fulfilment of a promise which was made to Italy by the British and French Governments when Italy came into the war. We promised then that if, in the Peace Settlement, the British and French holdings in Africa were increased, we would give Italy an "equitable" share in the redistribution of African territory.

As it turned out, the former German colonies in Africa were assigned in the Peace Settlement, under mandates, to France, the United Kingdom, Belgium and the Union of South Africa; and the cession of Jubaland was the British contribution to the fulfilment of the Franco-British pledge.

France has also ceded some territory to Italy in the hinterland of Libya—a first instalment soon after the war and another instalment this year—but most of this ex-French territory consists of "very light soil."

The Italians do not feel particularly grateful for these crumbs from French and British tables; and they claim, not unreasonably, that a really "equitable" re-distribution would have assigned to Italy a much bigger share in the loot. For what, after all, are these scraps compared to the German colonies that have become French and British mandated territories? Already, before the war, the Italian empire in Africa was a poor thing compared to the British or the French. As a result of the Peace Settlement, the disproportion has become still greater.

Why is it that Italy has come off so badly in the "scramble for Africa" during the last half-century? It is hard to say; for the scramble did not begin till the eighteen-eighties, and by that time Italy had already achieved her political unity at home and had raised herself to the rank of a Great Power.

No doubt, when the scramble came, Great Britain, France, Portugal and Spain were in an advantageous position, because they already held a number of key points on the coasts of Africa and had merely to push their way into the interior, whereas Italy, Germany and Belgium had first to gain a foothold on the African coasts before they could begin to join in the competition. Yet Italy started on equal terms with Belgium and Germany; and while Germany has lost her African possessions as a result of the Great War, Italy has not only kept hers, but has slightly increased them, as we have seen.

Perhaps the main reason why Italy has come off badly in Africa is that, at the very start, she chose an unfortunate field for her African ambitions. She decided to swallow Abyssinia—and that was like trying to eat an African hedgehog, spines and all, when Italy's European rivals in Africa, all around, were making comfortable and satisfying meals off defenceless African rabbits.

Abyssinia was one of those countries—like Afghanistan in Asia—which had been prudently left alone by European empire-builders who were older hands than the Italians were at the game.

The British Government, for instance, sent an expeditionary force to Magdala, on the Abyssinian plateau, for a strictly limited purpose in the eighteen-sixties; but they were careful to withdraw again before they had pricked their fingers. For anyone who had eyes to see, it was clear that the Abyssinians—warlike highland people, living in a natural fortress and possessed of a certain modicum of civilisation—were not as other native Africans were, and that they were best left in peace to enjoy an independence which they know how to defend.

The Italians, however, were blind to this; and in the eighteen-eighties they conceived the ambition which Signor Mussolini is attempting, once again, to fulfil. They planned to conquer an East African empire extending from the Eritrean coast of the Red Sea to the Somali coast of the Indian Ocean, and including the whole of Abyssinia in between. This ambition was disastrously defeated by the Abyssinians when, at Adowa in 1896, they wiped out an invading Italian army, unaided.

Italy, in repeating her attempt to conquer Abyssinia, has thrown vastly stronger forces into action than she employed forty years ago. But Abyssinia, too, is stronger to-day than she was then, and she now has the League of Nations and the public opinion of the world behind her in her determination to resist aggression.

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TO sum up, we may frankly admit that, on a basis of "to each according to his need," Italy has a strong claim to receive a greater share of the European profits from Africa than she at present enjoys by comparison with the United Kingdom, France, Portugal and Belgium.

But, after saying this, there are two more things to be said.

First, Germany's claim on this basis is still stronger than Italy's; for Germany is a country with half as large a population again as Italy's, and Germany has been deprived of African colonies altogether.

In the second place, the attempt to conquer Abyssinia by force of arms is a piece of wickedness which, even if successful, will not give Italy the additional African resources that she wants.

SIDE GLANCES By George Clark



"I don't know what she can expec t of you. You haven't even made those arrangements for her education."

Further Outlook Dull

The morning milk is chilly and
The wind is cold and shrill;
There's sixteen letters in the post
And every one's a bill.
And yet I hear a speckled thrush
A-shouting in a tree;
But what he finds to sing about
Is more than I can see.
The further outlook's dull and cold,
The sky is low and grey;
I've got the hump and feel exactly
Ninety-five to-day.
But on the lawn a snowdrop waves
Her little silver bell;
Though what she finds to bloom about
Is more than I can tell.
The world is just a murky mess
Of fog and slush and rain;
And Spring seems years away.
That's if
It ever comes again.
And life is flat and mouldy and
There's not a single thing
That's fit to make a song about,
And so I shall not sing.

SHELLS THAT ARE EXPLODED BY A RAINDROP

NEW GERMAN GUN AGAINST HOSTILE AIRCRAFT

A NEW type of anti-aircraft gun which is fitted in the latest German warships is mounted in the Swedish warship, Gotland, which is on a visit to England.

This new anti-aircraft gun is a single-barrelled weapon, capable of firing high explosive shells of just under one inch calibre at a rate of 180 a minute.

The shells are so sensitive that they will explode if they pass through even one thickness of light aeroplane fabric.

Their sensitivity has, in fact, had to be reduced, for it was found that they were too sensitive for use in rainy weather, as contact with a raindrop was sufficient to cause detonation.

The guns are very light and are mounted upon free pivots so that they can be trained and elevated with great rapidity and without effort. The shells are fitted with "tracers," so that the guns' crews can handle their weapons much in the same way as a fireman handles a hose, spraying high explosive at attacking aircraft.

Ahead of Other Nations

The anti-aircraft defence of the Gotland consists of three of these guns and four quick-firing 3-inch anti-aircraft guns. Two of these are mounted singly, while two are mounted in a twin mounting. The whole of the anti-aircraft gunnery control is of a type designed by a famous German armament firm. It is claimed that this system of control is far in advance of anything produced by other nations.

If necessary this anti-aircraft armament can be supplemented to some extent by the main armament of six 6-inch guns, for all these guns can be elevated to 60 degrees.

It is difficult to place the Gotland in any of the categories recognised by naval Powers whose designs are dictated by Treaties. The Gotland has the tonnage, speed, and armament of a light cruiser, but she is also a seaplane carrier of no small capacity.

One's impression is that Sweden, untrammelled by Treaty limitations, has used her consequent freedom of design to great effect, and has produced a type of ship which would prove of tremendous value for purposes of defence, either of coasts or of trade routes.

The Gotland has a displacement of 4,630 tons, and her steam turbines give her a maximum speed of 27 knots. Her main armament consists of six 6-inch guns—the same number as is mounted in our Arethusa class cruisers of 5,200 tons. The 6-inch guns are mounted in two twin turrets on the centre line and two single gun casemates, one on each broadside, below the bridge.

Compressed Air Catapult

The whole of the after-part of the ship is devoted to her function as a seaplane carrier. Upon what might be termed the "poop deck," are three sets of rails upon which seaplanes are stowed. These rails are arranged so that they all lead to a central catapult operated by compressed air. The rails are extended ahead of the catapult to provide accommodation for extra machines if necessary. A total of 12 seaplanes can be accommodated. Those at present in use are Ospreys—the type carried by our cruisers.

A feature of the arrangement for stowing and handling these seaplanes is that, when stowed, they are mounted upon the carriages from which they can be catapulted. There is therefore no delay in lifting a machine from one carriage to another. During the acceptance trials of the ship it was found possible to get two machines into the air in just over one minute.

Below the "poop deck" is a large workshop in which repairs and adjustments to aircraft can be made. Below this again are mess-decks which accommodate the flying service personnel. The seaplane carrier part of the ship is therefore almost entirely self-contained.

Landing Device

On completion of a flight the seaplanes have to land on the water, and they are then hoisted on board by a crane at the extreme stern of the ship.

The landing of seaplanes when the weather is not calm, and their recovery by the crane, is facilitated by the use of a large canvas "apron." This is towed astern of the ship, and "smoothes out" the waves, thus giving a strip of calm water for the landing of the seaplanes.

The seaplanes "taxi" on to this "apron" and are hauled up to the crane and then hoisted on board. Thus the ship does not have to stop completely while embarking aircraft.

Irish Life 4,000 Years Ago

Belfast, Mar. 1.

EXCAVATION of a prehistoric tomb near Dunley in County Antrim has revealed the burial customs of people who inhabited Ireland 2,000 years before Christ.

Archaeologists of Queen's University here said the discoveries showed "an astonishing variety of structural skill and culture among the people who evidently brought to Ireland the first knowledge of civilized life."

In the ancient tomb or burial chamber the excavators found traces of the cremation of human bodies as well as gifts to the dead, including two arrow heads, several knives and beads. The most important find was two finely polished stone axes, keen enough to cut paper sharply, which lay at the door of the tomb.—*United Press.*

THEY LIVE APART, WORK TOGETHER



Decision of Baron and Baronness Maximilian von Romberg to live apart led to announcement of separate residences in Santa Barbara, Calif. But recently, the baron became co-publisher of Apertif, the baroness' smart magazine in the famous winter colony—and now they are seen in each other's company more frequently than before their announced separation. Photo shows them as "business associates in a business conference."

MURDERER CHOSE FIRING SQUAD: FOUR REPRIEVES

Salt Lake City (Utah), Feb. 29.

FOR the fourth time Delbert Green, a convicted murderer, has been saved by a last-minute reprieve from execution by a firing squad.

He chose this form of death in preference to hanging.

News of his latest reprieve, granted by Utah Governor Henry H. Blood, reached Green only a few hours before he was to have been led out to face a firing squad at dawn.

Green, who was convicted of the murder of his uncle, has now been granted respite on the recommendations of the Board of Pardons.—*Reuter.*

IRISH BARD ILL



William Butler Yeats, world famous Irish poet, who is 70 years of age, was seriously ill last week, but has now recovered.

Plan To End Outlawry

PENALTY: DEATH AND CONFISCATION

If the recommendations made in the third and final report of the Business of Courts Committee, are adopted, some strange and ancient laws will be abolished. The report was issued last month. Lord Hanworth, formerly Master of the Rolls, was chairman of the Committee.

The recommendations deal with questions of Crown Office rules, procedure in patent actions, and the affidavit of ships' papers. It is pointed out that the Crown Office rules were first made in 1886, and have now become out of date.

One of the most remarkable laws with which the Committee deal is that of outlawry. By Crown Office rule, a man who has failed to appear in a criminal case after he has been given several chances to do so, may be outlawed. In such circumstances, the outlaw was liable to be killed and his goods confiscated.

The report states that the procedure has not been used for three-quarters of a century, "and now appears to be unworkable."

"ARTICLES OF PEACE"

Another ancient code which the Committee recommend for abolition is the exhibition of Articles of the Peace.

By this law a man threatened and in fear of his life is entitled to exhibit in the King's Bench Division a document entitled the Articles of the Peace, setting out the facts of his case. If the Articles are received by the Court, a writ of attachment is issued against the defendant, who is made to enter into a recognisance to keep the peace.

Under modern procedure application is made to the magistrates under the Summary Jurisdiction Act, 1897, by which the defendant can be bound over to keep the peace.

An interesting recommendation concerns criminal informations. These are of two kinds—informations filed ex-officio by the Attorney-General, and informations filed with the leave of the Court by the Master of the Crown Office at the instance of a private prosecutor. There have been few cases of either kind in the last half-century.

The Committee see some advantage in preserving the first class of informations and recommends its preservation because of its value when secrecy is desirable.

The case of Rex v. Mylius in 1911 is quoted. This was the action for libel brought by King George V. against a man named Mylius. In that case an ex-officio information was laid.

NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH

News Of The World Garnered By United Press

San Francisco, March 6.

A squint through the barrel of the news periscope reveals, among other things, something offcolour in Missouri, and a seeming revival of that oft-asked question—"What's in a name?"

A dispatch dated Blue Eye, Missouri, goes on to say that the town of Blue Eye has been forced to close its school. Rapid spread of an infection among the children was blamed. The ailment is known as Pink Eye.

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AT Jefferson City, Mo., requisition papers were being signed for the return of a theft suspect from Henderson, Texas. Gov. Guy B. Park in signing the papers hoped the suspect's wasn't prophetic. The name —Local Grief.

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PITTSBURGH presents this: When things got unfriendly between Alvin Friend and his fellow boarders at Friendly Inn here, 26 year old Friend took poison, he told police. Fast action on the part of Friend's friends saved his life. Friend is the son of George Friend of Friendsville, Md.

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ANN ARBOR, (Mich)., reports cold weather in these words: Hell froze over. A little abandoned village near here, formerly known as "Hell" was suffering from sub-zero temperatures that struck this section of the state. In addition the few remaining residents were considering a skating party—on the River Styx, nearby.

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ROBERT GORDON ANDERSON, well known author, of New York, had this to say, recently: Persons who think that "Oh, Yeah? is a vulgarism meaning "Oh, Yeah" should consult their psychiatrist, or somebody. Anderson told Hunter College students that the phrase is excellent English, magnificently expressive of "World weariness" and the disillusionment of youth. He applauded "He can take it," too, as a succinct description of courage! Oh, Yeah?

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ANOTHER word definition won't hurt. Supt. James E. Warren of the Massachusetts States farm, Boston, recently explained the difference between a "plain drunk" and an "inebriate." Testifying at a parole hearing Warren said the Farm had some 900 drunks and six inebriates. Asked to explain the difference, he said: "An inebriate is a high-class drunk."

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ONE Chicagoan's idea of justifiable homicide. Floyd Shipman, 25, told Chicago police he had saved $97 for a good spree. At the start of the 3 day celebration he met William Carney, another thirsty soul, but thrifty. "After three days I suggested he buy a drink," Shipman said. "He pulled out a nickle and says buy myself a beer. Then I stabbed him."

ARCHER PROVES SPORT AFFORDS TEST OF BRAWN

Springfield, Mass., Mar. 6.

Archery is no sport for softies, warns President Charles Warner of the Springfield Archers.

"In a regular tournament," he says, "men shoot the York round of 144 arrows in the morning and the American round of 90 arrows in the afternoon. Using a bow that takes a 50-pound pull this means that the archer has lifted the equivalent of 11,700 pounds a distance of 28 inches, the length which the arrow is drawn back on the bow. This is equivalent to lifting one ton a distance of over 23 feet."

Aside from this, he points out, the archer must walk a total of a couple of miles to and from his target.—*United Press.*

RADIO BROADCAST

Relay of Funeral Service Of the Late Lord Beatty

Z.E.K. PROGRAMME

From Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres (846 kilocycles):

5-7 p.m. Hongkong Hotel Dance Orchestra.

7-7.30 p.m. Light Opera and Musical Comedy.

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7.30-8 p.m. From the Studio.

A Selection of Gypsy Melodies by "The Harmony Boys."

8 p.m. Time and Weather Report; Stock Quotations.

8.05-11 p.m. Chinese Studio Concert.

11 p.m. Close Down.

8.05-10 p.m. European Programme Broadcast from Z.E.K. on a frequency of 640 kilocycles.

8.05-8.10 p.m. "Elegie" (Massenet) sung by Beniamino Gigli (Tenor).

8.10-8.30 p.m. (Approx:) A Relay from Daventry.

A Relay of the Service at the Funeral of the late Admiral Lord Beatty from St. Paul's Cathedral, London.

8.30-8.47 p.m. A Violin Recital by Fritz Kreisler.

1. Thais—Meditation (Massenet); 2. Tambourin Chinois, Op. 3 (Kreisler); 3. Humoreske, Op. 101, No. 7 (Dvorak); 4. Caprice Viennois (Kreisler).

8.47-9 p.m. A Recital by Elsie Suddaby (Soprano).

1. Cradle Song (Schubert); 2. Faith in Spring (Schubert); 3. On Wings of Song (Mendelssohn); 4. The Prayer to our Lady (Ford).

9-9.15 p.m. Daventry News Bulletin.

9.15-9.32 p.m. Concert Waltzes.

A Thousand and One Nights (J. Strauss); Moonlight on the Alster (Fetras); Siren of the Ball (Lehar).

9.32-10 p.m. Variety.

Songs—Moon for Sale; Thanks a Million....Robert Ashley (Tenor); Piano Medley....Gerry Moore; Songs—Me and My Dog ("Public Nuisance No. 1"); Swing ("Public Nuisance No. 1")....Frances Day; Fox-Trots—The Tea Doll's Parade; You were there ("To-night at 8.30"); Waltz—The Family Album ("To-night at 8.30").

10 p.m. Big Ben: Close Down.

DAVENTRY PROGRAMMES

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Transmission 1

(G.S.N., G.S.D.)

2.15 p.m. Big Ben. Revue: "Oh! Those Bells!"

3 a.m. Prose Reading.

Greenwich Time Signal at 3.15 p.m.

3.15 p.m. A Howard Carr Programme. The Empire Orchestra.

4 p.m. The News.

4.20 p.m. Close down.

Transmission 2

(G.S.J., G.S.G.)

7 p.m. Big Ben. Reginald Porter-Brown, at the organ of the Regal Cinema, Torquay.

7.15 p.m. "Empire Cocktail."

Greenwich Time Signal at 8 p.m.

8 p.m. Prose Reading.

8.15 p.m. A Recital by Frederick Sharp (Baritone).

8.30 p.m. Sir Walford Davies: "Music and the Ordinary Listener: What about the Tune?"—5: "Dance Tunes."

9 p.m. The News.

9.20 p.m. A Programme of Gramophone Records.

9.45 p.m. Close down.

Transmission 3

(G.S.O., G.S.F.)

10 p.m. Big Ben. "How's That?" A variety entertainment compered by Ralph Coram.

10.45 p.m. Sports Talk.

11 p.m. The B.B.C. Northern Ireland Orchestra.

12 a.m. Sonata Recital.

Greenwich Time Signal at 12.30 a.m.

12.20 a.m. The News.

12.50 a.m. Dance Music.

1 a.m. Close down.

SIAM AND JAPAN

NO SPECIAL FAVOUR INTENDED

Singapore, March 14.

A message from Bangkok states that the recent efforts by Japan to extend her influence to Siam have been cold shouldered by Luang Pradit, the new Foreign Minister, who recently visited Tokyo, where he was received in audience by the Emperor and where he had a conference with Mr. Hirota, now the Prime Minister.

In a statement on Siamese foreign policy, Luang Pradit said that Siam's one desire was to maintain her independence. They wanted to retain the friendship of every foreign Power and they did not favour any particular country.

Referring to the recent conversion of the Siamese loan on the London market, Luang Pradit said that politically, morally and materially Siam would always feel that she has a good friend in Great Britain. Her relations with France are at present of cordial friendship.

He admitted that Japanese trade was being encouraged, but he denied the suggestion from Tokyo that he was a protagonist of an Asiatic League of Nations.

The statement caused a deep impression in foreign circles in Bangkok.—*United Press.*

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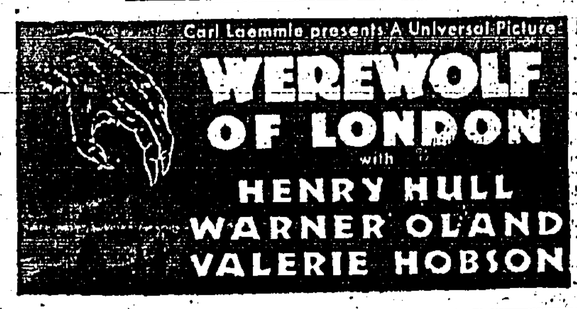
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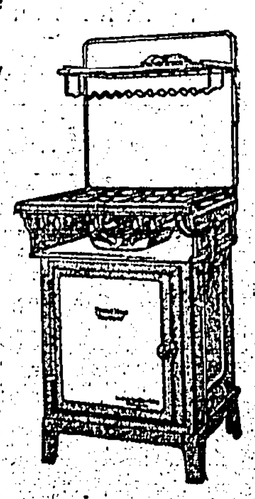


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LEAGUE OR CUP: WHICH IS MORE IMPORTANT?

S. China's Action Re-awakens Local Soccer Problem

NEW WORLD RECORD

QUARTER-MILE MARK SET BY RAY ELLINWOOD

Chicago, Mar. 16.

A new world's indoor running record was established to-day when Ray Ellinwood of Chicago University did the quarter of a mile in 48 9-10 seconds.

The previous record was held by Alex Wilson the Canadian Olympic runner, who did the distance in 1932 in 49 3-10 seconds.—*Reuter.*

THE WEEK'S TENNIS

20 MATCHES IN CHAMPIONSHIP

FULL PROGRAMME

(By "Veritas")

If the programme is carried out to schedule no less than 42 matches in the open singles and doubles championship and Hongkong Cricket Club tournament events will be played on the nine courts at the H.K.C.C. this week. Of these 20 are open championship ties.

Everything, of course, depends on the weather. Last week the competitors and organisers snapped their fingers at the cold and dampness which prevailed every day and succeeded in playing off something like 97 per cent. of the matches arranged. The courts somewhat naturally suffered a bit, but not to any great extent, and if we can obtain some sun during the next day or two I think they will recover.

COURTS ARE DIFFICULT

On the whole they appear to be playing much more truer than in previous years and are, generally speaking, in fairly good condition. Though for the public the courts are ideally situated, the same cannot be said from the players' viewpoint. The Chater Road trees which hang over the lower courts often make things difficult for receiving service and lobs, while on the opposite side of the ground incessant noise of traffic—tramcars, hooters, buses and so forth do not contribute to the player's concentration on his game.

These are factors which may be borne in mind when players do not, perhaps, play so well as expected. It is not everybody who can shut out these disconcerting interferences. One cannot, of course, legislate against it, but it is worthy of recollection when one finds disappointment in a player's performance.

The public are behaving very much more orderly this year and as yet I have not seen any encroachment on court confines liable to distract either the players or the umpires. The organisers have appreciated the value of roping off most of the courts and the public are duly restraining their enthusiasm which hitherto has caused much inconvenience to the players, and justifiable annoyance to the organising committee.

After Tennis Kwok's surprise defeat of W. C. Hung and Lee Wai-tong's close call against F. K. Zimmern, the meeting of these two in the second round on Wednesday should provide the brightest and keenest match of the week.

LEE WAI-TONG'S TASK

Lee, who is still in the midst of football responsibilities, does not seem to be playing with the same power as last year and it is not impossible to regard Kwok as a winner in this tie. Kwok is first and last singles

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MACAO BEAT CANTON

IN FAST HOCKEY MATCH

(By Our Own Correspondent)

Macao, Mar. 15.

An exciting hockey match took place in Macao this afternoon when the Canton Hockey Club, captained by W. J. McLoughlin, engaged in a friendly tussle with the second team of the Macao Hockey Club, captained by A. Airosa. The visitors were defeated by a score of 4 goals to nil.

Fast stickwork featured the play throughout and the home team was in splendid shooting form. During the first half three goals were scored but the visitors were very unfortunate in failing to score after a smart breakaway by their forwards.

Good positioning on the part of the local players was largely responsible for their victory. A. Ammann was splendid at the Canton goal and was applauded for several brilliant saves. G. P. Lammert, the old Hongkong Hockey Club player, was prominent in his new position at full-back in the Macao team.

F.A. MAY HAVE TO FACE ALTERNATIVES

(By "Veritas")

SOUTH China "A" are right in the news again. Won Senior Shield yesterday and suffered fourth league defeat on Saturday at hands of unpretentions Kowloon. Reason:—Turned out a team of reserves. But that's not all. Lost Wong Mee-shun because he couldn't keep his temper and had Tang Kwong-Wing warned. D. Knox and G. White of Kowloon also earned frowns and admonition of the referee. Was it a pleasant game? Hardly. Just as everybody was beginning to pat himself on the back that Hongkong football had become a game fit for angels to play, these fellows go and ruin it all.

THERE'S another interesting angle about this match which may demand the attention of the Football Association. Of South China "A's" regular team only five played against Kowloon. Sole reason was that on the following day the team was due to appear in the Senior Shield final. Memory tells me that a Northern club did the same thing in an English League match a few days before an F. A. Cup tie and that the Home association put its foot down very severely. Fined the club heavily and issued a proclamation that such behaviour would not be tolerated.



Composite picture of the Lai Wah Cup surmounted by Governor's Cup and Senior Shield.

THERE'S no local ruling in existence, but this may prompt the Hongkong F.A. to consider creating one. The circumstances show that South China have a presentable defence in this particular case, but on a point of principle there would seem to be room for an official edict to govern the future.

IT is hardly likely, in fact it is not desirable, that the F.A. should make an example of South China in this instance because the Caroline Hill team have extenuating circumstances which outweigh other considerations. But the principle remains and as it is one which should be preserved Football Association will do well to pay some attention to the subject between now and next season.

SATURDAY'S example raises once again that old question of the relative importance of League matches and cup ties. Many are prepared to argue that competitions such as the Lai Wah Cup, International Charity Cup, the Shields etc. should take precedence over league engagements to the extent that when a team is engaged in important knock-out competition games it should have the privilege of postponing league fixtures. The argument is difficult to sustain. The primary football competition organised by the F.A. is the league. All other tournaments are extraneous. Whether they are successful and are perpetuated is due to the support of the clubs. But that support is given in the knowledge that league obligations remain in full. The clubs' first obligation is to fulfil league fixtures. If, because of other engagements, they cannot do this, or demand preferential treatment, the logical procedure is to do away with the competitions which are disorganising the league programme.



The first division league championship trophy.

BUT while it is true that the clubs have obligations to the Football Association which must be met, it is also well to bear in mind that the Association owes it to the clubs to meet them halfway and devise means of helping the clubs to fulfil these obligations. The existence of so many competitions is not the sole reason why our annual soccer programme is too heavy. The league divisions are too big. We have fourteen teams in each of the first and second divisions and eleven in the third division. Thus in two divisions teams have a programme of 26 matches each.

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ARE WE DOWNHEARTED?—Not judging by this picture taken during the presentation yesterday of the Senior Shield and runners-up cup, which shows Police team and supporters cheering the winners. (Photo Mee Cheung).

South China Wins Senior Shield In Handsome Style

S. China "A" ..2 Police ..1

S. China "A"—Wong Wing; Li Tin-sang and Lau Mau; Lau Hing-choi, Leung Wing-chui and Lee Kwok-wai; Tso Kwai-shing, Fung King-cheung, Lee Wai-tong, Ip Pak-wa and Tay Qua-liang.

Police:—McHardy; Blackburn and C. Pile; North, Gough and Parker; T. Pile, Stevens, Johnson, Brooks, and Brittain.

DESCRIBED BY "VERITAS"

Making the mistake of delaying my arrival at the Club ground for the Shield final yesterday until half an hour before the kick-off I found myself compelled to join in a struggling mass of humanity who were futily waving admission tickets and endeavouring to rush the gates. The magical word "Press" gained admittance after two would-be spectators had been severely trouden upon and another had nearly dislocated his collar-bone. And they make headlines about the war in Ethiopia!

In the ground, of course, all available seating accomodation, including the press box, had been filled and I became numbered among the several hundreds of spectators who thronged the touchlines. There I discovered after trying a dozen different ways of sitting down, and twice having my hands crushed by heavy feet, that the best way of sitting on the ground to watch a football match was to stand up.

POSTURE AMENITIES

From various positions which entailed neck strain, eye strain, ankle tapping and the other amenities which go with an overcrowded football ground I saw South China "A" beat Police by the odd goal in three. But chief impressions of the game were derived from an enthusiastic spectator nearby who gave a running commentary in half Chinese, half English: from this I understood that Tay Qua-liang at outside left deserved the Victoria Cross, that Fung King-cheung was worthy of a medal not yet struck; in fact the whole Chinese were a heaven-sent team.

From my obscured viewpoint there appeared to be quite a modicum of truth in this. It was the Chinese who raised the standard of play to a level in keeping with the importance of the occasion. Their fast, businesslike methods stood out in bold relief to the drab, half-hearted, inconsequential play of the Police, and the only surprise about the result was the narrow margin of goals.

South China did not require the customary ten minutes to settle down. They found their form straight away and assumed such a determined offensive that Police were forced into a desperate type of football which influenced their work for the rest of the match.

Playing with masterly co-ordination the Chinese dominated the exchanges. The smart tackling of the half backs disorganised the Police attacking machine from the very first, while the winners' forward line made such clever use of the ball that they seldom failed to carry their raids into the penalty area.

There was not a weakness in the South China team. The introduction of Lau Hing-choi at right half and the transference of Leung Wing-chiu to centre-half infused a new sparkle in the intermediate line and the consummate skill in which they played their dual role as attackers and defenders had an enormous influence in the trend of the game.

BRILLIANTLY SCHEMING

Fung King-cheung's twinkling feet and fine football brain created most of the openings for a lively attack. Lee Wai-tong was comparatively subdued because Gough did nothing else but stick to him. South China's reply was to give the ball to Fung and Ip Pak-wa who rarely failed to make good use of it. Tay Qua-liang was another fine performer, but Tso Kwai-shing was somewhat below the level of his colleagues.

Behind this brilliantly scheming forward line, Lau Hing-choi, Leung Wing-chui and Lee Kwok-wai gave faultless performances and rendered easy the task of Li Tin-sang and Tam Kong-pak. Li found the occasion suitable to give one of his best displays of the season and Tam Kong-pak redeemed a few kicking errors by his superb headwork and intelligent positioning.

Police, thrown out of gear from the opening rally, failed entirely to capture that form which has made them one of the most prominent of teams during the current season. But for the tireless work of the defence they would have lost by a very big margin. McHardy, Chris Pile and Blackburn saved them from being routed, and it was decidedly hard luck for Blackburn that he should have been the direct cause for the winners' second goal.

Gough concentrated solely on Lee Wai-tong—quite commendable tactics, but he failed to support this by any constructive effort on behalf of the forwards. North and Parker, the wing halves, were also inadequate for the occasion. They rarely took the ball up the field to initiate an attack and were only notable for their defensive qualities.

ONLY JOHNSON

Police were unfortunate to be deprived of the services of Moss on the left wing. It did nothing to improve the attack. Brittain was too slow and Lau Hing-choi had full measure of him. Johnson alone seemed capable of proving superior to the Chinese rearguard but he was badly

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JUNIOR SHIELD

WELL WON AGAIN BY THE R.E.

Royal Engineers thoroughly deserved the distinction of winning the Junior Shield for the second year in succession when on the Club ground yesterday they beat East Lancashires in the final by three goals to one.

Superior in every branch and revealing excellent football craft they forced East Lancashires on the defensive for three parts of the game.

They were wonderfully well served by an enterprising forward line of whom Howlett was the chief brains. Darby was a thrustful leader though he was severely marked. The half backs were infinitely better than the East Lancashires trio who did not work so harmoniously with their forwards.

Boyling was a very fine pivot and behind him Slack, Colman and Sellek easily held the opposition forwards in check.

East Lancashires would have been more heavily defeated if Harwood and Ball had not been on tip-top form in defence. They repeatedly checked the Sappers' keen attacks and were among the best performers on view.

East Lancashires suffered from inferior team work. The attack was seldom together and lacked thrust and initiative. Half backs were also inclined to concentrate on defence and did not keep up sufficiently with their raiders.

Although Royal Engineers were constantly on the attack they did not open the scoring until a few minutes before the interval when Darby seized an opening and crashed home a fierce drive.

Howlett, playing grandly, obtained a second shortly after the restart and added another five minutes later. Although well beaten East Lancashires continued to play hard and were rewarded when Swain scored a few minutes from the end.

F. A. INQUIRY INTO THORPE'S DEATH

The Football Association has appointed a commission consisting of Sir Charles Clegg, Mr. W. Pickford and Mr. J. McKenna to inquire into the conduct of the Sunderland v. Chelsea match on Feb. 1.

At the inquest the jury found the death was due to diabetes, accelerated by the rough usage he received in the game, and that the referee was very lax in the control.

They added a rider, "We urge the Board of Management of the Football Association to instruct all referees that they must exercise stricter control over the players so as to eliminate as far as possible any future accidents."

The verdict aroused a storm of criticism among League referees, especially as the referee at the Sunderland match was not called to give evidence, and has so far had no opportunity of describing incidents in the game as he saw them.

The importance which the F.A. attach to the question is indicated by the personnel of the Commission. Sir Charles Clegg is the President of the F.A., Mr. Pickford is a vice-president, and Mr. McKenna is a vice-president of the F.A. and president of the Football League.

It is understood that, in addition to the referee's report, the F.A. have asked the Sunderland and Chelsea clubs to submit statements by their officials on the conducts of the match, and particularly the episode in which Thorpe was alleged to have been kicked during a scrimmage in the goal-mouth.

Our Daily Golf Hint

The right shoulder must not come round too soon in the downward swing, but must go fairly well forward after the ball is hit.

—*James Braid.*

HEAVY BADMINTON PROGRAMME

MANY MATCHES THIS WEEK

(By "Veritas")

Men's doubles badminton league matches are named for four days this week, there being two to-night, two on Tuesday, three on Wednesday and two on Thursday.

Eliot Hall "A" and "B" teams have to play several matches, the seniors being at home this evening to Chinese Recreation Club and at home to Kowloon Tong on Wednesday. Kowloon Tong though, I understand, have decided to concede the points.

Recreio "B" entertain Eliot Hall "B" this evening, but I cannot see them beating the Varsity players. On Thursday Recreio "A" have an important match when they visit Eliot Hall to meet the "B" combination.

The mixed doubles programme is now drawing to a close and there are two important games down for decision on Friday. Fire Brigade have to visit St. John's and Recreio "A" receive Chinese Recreation Club. The outcome of these two games may have a big bearing on the championship.

To-morrow Recreio "A" should win the ladies' doubles championship when they entertain Fire Brigade, who have not yet won a game this season.

The complete programme for the week follows:

MEN'S DOUBLES

THIS EVENING

Eliot Hall "A" v. Chinese R.C.
Recreio "B" v. Eliot Hall "B."

TUESDAY

Chinese R.C. v. S. and S. Home.
V.R.C. v. Eliot Hall "B."

WEDNESDAY

Eliot Hall "A" v. Kowloon Tong.
Recreio "B" v. Fire Brigade.
St. Andrew's "B" v. Recreio "A."

THURSDAY

St. John's v. St. Andrew's "A."
Eliot Hall "B" v. Recreio "A."

MIXED DOUBLES

FRIDAY

St. John's v. Fire Brigade.
Recreio "A" v. Chinese R.C.
St. Andrew's v. Recreio "B."
S. and S. Home v. Taikoo.

LADIES DOUBLES

TUESDAY

Recreio "A" v. Fire Brigade.

Big Mixed Doubles Match To-night

A re-arranged mixed doubles badminton match of great importance is to be played this evening, when at Central Police Headquarters Fire Brigade meet Recreio "A" in their return engagement. The result may well determine the championship. If Recreio win they will be firm favourites for the title as they play Chinese Recreation Club at home on Friday next and are almost certain to win. Fire Brigade's hopes of retaining any interest in the championship rest on winning this evening's encounter.

BASEBALL—1ST ROUND

—BRITAIN WINS

A big scheme to introduce American baseball to Britain is afoot.

Huge sums are to be spent to popularise the game under floodlights in London, Manchester, Birmingham and Leeds.

It is proposed to equip more than 500 teams.

Keen competition between contractors has resulted in 90 per cent. of the orders going to British manufacturers.

The *Sunday Chronicle* understands that orders worth thousands of pounds will be placed in Yorkshire.

Large sums will be spent in importing American and Canadian players.

SEASON OF EXCITING GOLF TOURNAMENTS

THE WEEK'S TENNIS: TWENTY CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHES

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player, and a very good one at that. I doubt if Lee can afford to let slip the first set as he did against Zimmern. On his record the Interporter should win, but he faces a useful opponent and one who is capable of making fullest use of the slightest advantage.

This week's complete programme follows.

TO-DAY

Open Singles (Second Round)
D. Macdougall v F. H. Kwok.
Tsui Wai-pui v S. W. Liang.
P. Scoones v R. Blyth.
R. Chan v Lt.-Comdr. Conway (1st round).
Open Doubles (First Round)
J. A. Rendall and I. Agafuroff v H. D. and S. A. Rumjahn (holders).
T. A. Pearce and L. Goldman v Iu Tak-cheuk and Iu Tak-lam (2nd Round).
Club Championship
T. C. Monaghan v P. F. McCabe (2nd Round).
A. L. Sullivan v H. Owen Hughes (2nd Round).
R. Henry v E. Bathurst.

TUESDAY

Open Singles (Second Round)
A. E. F. Guest v Lee Hun-nguk (1st Round).
H. D. Rumjahn v Luk Chun-cheong.
T. A. Pearce v P. Kong.
Open Doubles (First Round)
P. Scoones and A. L. Sullivan v J. W. Leonard and Y. Hachiuma.
Club Handicap Singles (1st Round)
W. W. McKenzie (+1/6) v G. E. R. Divett (—4/6).
T. J. Price (scr.) v E. R. Child (+2/6).
Lt.-Comdr. R. P. Stapleton (scr.) v R. M. Wood (+2/6).
G. W. Sewell (—15) v C. C. Stark (scr.).
J. F. C. Smalley (—4/6) v E. R. Price (scr.).

WEDNESDAY

Open Singles (Second Round)
Lee Wai-tong v Tennie Kwok.
S. A. Gray v Leung Ping-chiu.
K. T. Kwik v Iu Tak-cheuk.
Open Doubles (First Round)
J. C. Poole and R. Henry v G. Lai and G. Chang.
G. E. R. Divett and H. O'M. Deane v M. K. and M. W. Lo.
J. F. McCabe and D. Carey v A. V. Gosano and A. V. Remedios.
M. Pash and Lt.-Comdr. Conway v A. W. Ramsay and G. C. Barnett.
Club Championship (First Round)
V. R. Gordon v A. D. Humphreys
Lt.-Comdr. Stapleton v Capt. Craig.

THURSDAY

Open Singles (First Round)
Capt. J. D. Milne v A. V. Gosano.
Open Doubles (First Round)
E. Bathurst and A. T. Lay v P. Kong and Lai Kwong-lam.
Club Handicap Singles (1st Round)
A. C. L. Bowker (scr.) v G. S. Gamble (—2/6).
A. K. Mackenzie (scr.) v Capt. Craig (—15).
L. G. Robertson (scr.) v W. Wessling (+2/6).
Club Handicap Doubles (1st Round)
R. Henry and D. A. O'Keeffe (+1/6) v E. R. and T. J. Price (—2/6).
J. N. Grace and J. Smalley (—4/6) v J. and G. Rodger (—4/6).
J. E. Richardson and E. F. Buttress (+2/6) v W. W. McKenzie and D. B. Robb (+2/6).

FRIDAY

Open Singles (Second Round)
Lai Kwong-lam v M. W. Lo.
Club Championship (First Round)
L. Goldman v B. O'M. Deane.
Club Handicap Singles (1st Round)
M. Pash (—15.3) v R. Henry (+1/6).
Club Handicap Doubles (1st Round)
C. C. Stark and F. A. Joseph (—2/6) v T. C. Monaghan and E. J. McMullen (—3/6).
(Second Round).
V. R. Gordan and A. H. Penn (+1/6) v H. R. Butters and D. Macdougall (—4/6).
A. C. L. Bowker and A. K. Mackenzie (scr.) v G. Marseille and P. F. McCabe (—3/6).
H. K. McGilchrist and H. L. Tudor (+1/6) v A. Bremner and A. Drummond (+4/6).

LIGHT BLUES WIN

Varsity Athletics At White City

London, Mar 14.

Cambridge beat Oxford by eight events to three in the Inter-Varsity Athletic meeting held at the White City to-day.

Fine weather favoured the meeting, which was watched by a large crowd of spectators, who saw the existing putting-the-weight record being bettered by Irfan, the Turkish student at Cambridge.

The winners were:

Pole Vault.—Webster (Cambridge), 12 feet, 4 inches.

100 Yards.—Pennington (Oxford), 10.1/5 seconds.

Half Mile.—Sullivan (Cambridge), 1 min. 57 secs.

Putting-the-weight.—Irfan (Cambridge), 45 ft. 9½ ins. (Inter-varsity record).

120 Yards Hurdles.—Fitzgerald (Cambridge), 15.4/5 secs.

High Jump.—Kennedy (Cambridge), 5 ft. 10 ins.

Long Jump.—Horsfall (Cambridge), 22 ft. 0.3/4 ins.

Three Miles.—McIntyre (Oxford), 14 mins. 37.3/5 secs.

One Mile.—Ellis (Cambridge), 4 mins. 22 secs.

220 Yards Low Hurdles.—Daniell (Oxford), 26 secs.

Quarter Mile.—Brown (Cambridge), 49.1/5 secs.—*Reuter.*

FOUR EVENTS OF BIG IMPORTANCE

STRIKING PERSONALITIES WILL BE ON VIEW

The issue by the Joint Advisory Council of the English, Scottish, Welsh, and Irish Unions of the list of fixtures is a reminder to golfers that the present year gives promise of events as interesting and as exciting as at any period since the game made world-wide appeal and developed the spirit of rivalry among nations. In an unending procession of championships and tournaments of every conceivable description, including special competitions for left-handed and one-arm players, four events stand out from the rest.

One is the amateur championship at St. Andrew's, in the last week in May, when it is expected that the all-conquering Lawson Little will attempt to create a record by winning for the third time in succession. Another is the visit of an American women's team, led by that great player Mrs. Glenna Collett Vare, who will meet Great Britain in the Curtis Cup match at Glenengles on May 6.

A week later, on the Southport and Ainsdale course, the American players will challenge for the British Women's championship. This will be Mrs. Vare's fifth bid for a title that has never yet been won by an American. The third event of importance is the British Open championship at Hoylake, in the week beginning June 22, when Cotton, Padgham, Alliss, and Charles Whitcombe among the home contingent, and a select company of American professionals will attempt to wrest the title from that dashing and courageous little fellow, A. Perry.

THE MOST INTERESTING EVENT

The fourth event is the Walker Cup match between British and American amateur teams at the famous Pine Valley course, on September 2 and 3. Britain has never succeeded in winning the match, and there seems little prospect of her doing so on this occasion. Even so, the event is probably the most interesting of any in the year's calendar, and speculation is already rife concerning the composition of the British team.

That it will be vastly different from the one that suffered so crushing a defeat in the last contest at St. Andrew's is certain. In any case, there will be one newcomer in Hector Thomson, a young Scotsman of twenty-two, who is one of the best, if not the best of amateurs in Britain. Indeed, events may so shape themselves that he may turn out to be the actual leader of the team—a signal honour for a player of his age.

With McLean also a certainty, it would seem that Scotland will have a strong representation in the side, among the probables being Eric McRuvie, of Leven, and R. S. Walker, of Aberdeen University, who, by hard work, unbounded enthusiasm and concentration, has made himself into a first-class player. While much valuable information as regards likely candidates for the British team will be obtained from the international championship between England, Ireland, Scotland, and Wales, in July, some players will be chosen who do not usually take part in this four-cornered contest.

STOREY'S REMARKABLE SCORES

One will probably be E. F. Storey, who, at the moment, is playing as well as anyone in the country. In recent rounds at Swinley Forest, and elsewhere, he has accomplished some remarkable scores in the 60s. Storey has thrice played in the match against America, the last occasion being in 1929, at Chicago. His one success was against Roland Mackenzie, now a professional, whom he beat 2 and 1. A player who will, undoubtedly, be invited is Wethered, but whether he will accept is another matter. His only visit was in 1922, when Jones beat him 3 and 2.

If Lucas returns to the form displayed before the accident to his wrist he will assuredly be one of the new players. It would be idle, however, to speculate further as to who might be chosen until the championships and international matches have thrown fresh light on the material available. The primary and final test for inclusion in the team is the Amateur championship. This event will afford Little the opportunity of achieving an unparalleled feat.

After winning at St. Annes last year the champion gave the impression that he could not possibly defend his title this year, but circumstances have entirely altered the situation. Firstly, he again won the American championship, and, secondly, probably the more important factor, his financial position has been clarified. From a 'varsity student he is now earning an excellent living as a specialist writer for one of the big American syndicates.

LAWSON LITTLE MARRIED

Little was married the other day to Miss Dorothy Hurd, of Chicago, and a belief exists that a part of the honeymoon may be spent in this country. There could be no more fascinating prospect than a meeting between Thomson, the tall, slim Scottish youth and Little, who tramples ruthlessly on his victims. Even this giant American would have found it difficult successfully to live up to the standard of golf produced by Thomson in winning the Scottish and Irish championships from McLean.

With regard to the women's championship, most people will be glad that the ruling body has turned down the proposal that it should be made an open event so that women professionals and others whose commercial activities not unconnected with the game debar them from playing in certain amateur competitions could be included. It is urged that to debar such people is nothing less than snobbery.

Be that as it may, not only is such a championship not wanted, but it is doubtful whether any of the half dozen players affected would take the trouble to play in it. After their experience in the United States and Canada, last year, British women cannot be very confident as to the outcome of either the Curtis Cup match or the championship unless another Diana Fishwick come to the rescue.

A GAMBLE

Because the interval between the U.S. Open and the British Open is only a fortnight, the American entry at Hoylake may be restricted. As there will be barely a week in which to practise and become acclimatised, some of the American players may not think it worth the gamble. However, there is the possibility that we shall again see Henry Picard, who made a promising debut at Muirfield, last year, and also our old friends Hagen and Sarazen.

The situation has changed since Cotton broke the American domination two years ago, and Perry crashed his way to victory last year. As a result of these welcome triumphs there is not a British professional of note who does not think himself capable of beating any American. Optimism now reigns where pessimism ruled for a dozen years. The point of interest is whether Cotton, who is training seriously for the championship, will be the man again to put the spoke in the American wheel.

H. COLES RETIRES

Amateur Billiards Title Holder

At the early age of 38 Horace Coles, the Newport (Mon.) bank clerk, who holds the amateur billiards championship of England, has decided to retire from the game. He has written to the Billiards Association and Control Council withdrawing his entry for this year's championship.

"You will, no doubt, be surprised," writes Coles. "When I tell you that I have decided to give up the game for private reasons. I must withdraw my entry for the championship, and shall never play in it again."

Coles, who won the Welsh championship four times and played for both Wales and England in the British Empire tournament, holds several records. In 1933 he made the highest championship break—363—in a match against F. Edwards (Stourbridge), and in 1929, when he beat Sidney Lee to win the title for the first time, he had a record average of 24.5. Other records of Coles' are: Two breaks of over 200 each in one session, and scoring 3,000 points in three consecutive sessions.

League Or Cup? Which Is More Important?

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THE alternative, which is one adopted by a large number of similar leagues in England is to divide these outsize divisions into sections, with the championship resting on a sectional final. There are arguments for and against such a constitution, but if the Football Association and clubs are convinced, as they should be by now, that in its present state the season is too long and the fixture list too cumbersome, then an alternative system is demanded. The choice appears to be between two things. Either to retain the league in its present form and to abandon one or more of the knock-out competitions, or to cut down the league fixtures. The only way to accomplish this is by splitting the divisions into sections.

SOUTH CHINA WINS SENIOR SHIELD

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neglected by his colleagues, and not once could he obtain that type of pass from which he has scored most of his goals.

The right wing was a complete failure, Pilo was starved and Stevens could do nothing with the ball. Brooks worked like a nigger but it was all negative sort of stuff and he was never up with the forwards when most needed.

South China made all the running and should have been at least three goals to the good before half time. They did obtain a lead halfway through when Ip Pak-wa completed a dazzling movement by passing McHardy with an equally dazzling shot made on the turn. During this half Police were never in the picture except as gallant defenders.

They made a sad start to the second half when Blackburn mis-kicked and let Fung King-cheung through to lob over McHardy's head, but within a few minutes they had recovered ground, Tommy Pilo converting a penalty given against Tam Kong-pak for pushing. Just for a brief moment it seemed that the Police might derive inspiration from this success, but after Johnson had made a determined but unsuccessful effort to beat Wong Wing the play switched back again and it was all South China until the end.

This makes the third trophy Chinese have won this season, having annexed the Governor's Cup, Lai Wah Cup and Senior Shield. The league championship and International Charity Cup are still their's for the winning.

CRICKET TOURISTS

Australians Meeting Western Province

Cape Town, Mar. 14.

The Australian cricket tourists in South Africa to-day began an extra three-day match with Western Province in warm weather and on a perfect wicket. A crowd of 3,000 spectators witnessed the commencement of the match.

Batting first, Western Province were dismissed for 198 runs, A. D. Nourse, Sr., scoring 55 of the total.

W. J. O'Reilly was again in great form with the ball and captured six for 35.

The Australians had scored 37 without loss when stumps were drawn. —*Reuter.*

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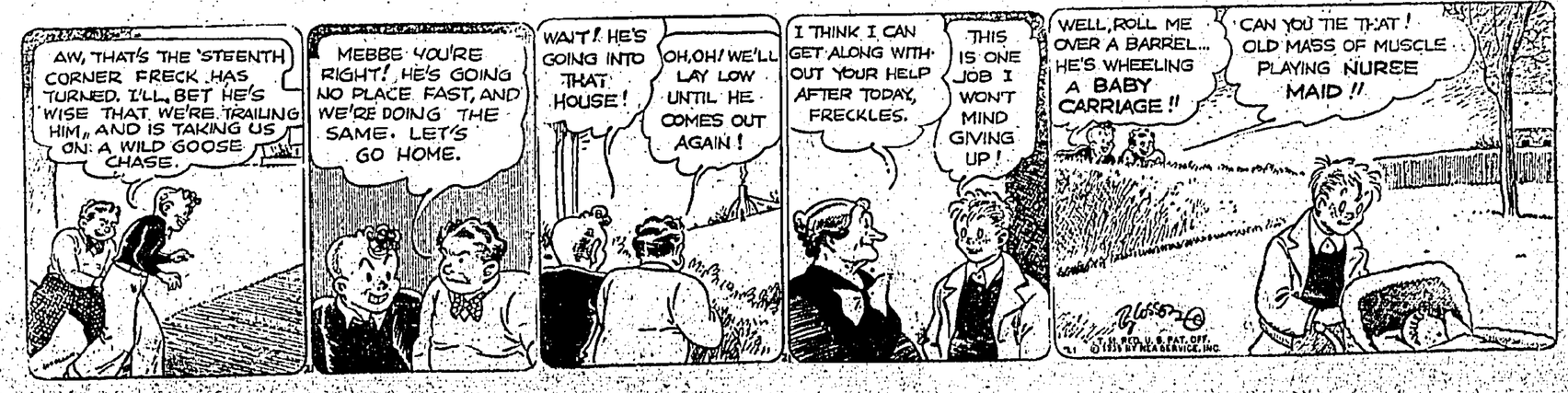
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E/Japan	June 26	June 28		July 1	July 3	July 9	July 14
E/Asia	July 10	July 12	July 14	July 16	July 18		July 27
E/Canada	July 24	July 26		July 29	July 31	Aug. 7	Aug. 12
E/Russia	Aug. 7	Aug. 9	Aug. 11	Aug. 13	Aug. 15		Aug. 24
E/Japan	Aug. 21	Aug. 23		Aug. 26	Aug. 28	Sept. 3	Sept. 8
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THE STORY THUS FAR

Kay Brannan, late of Wellesley, obtains a position as advertising assistant and enters on a mad whirl of gayety, determined not to return to dull Carvel. One day, she impulsively quits her job and goes on a wild yachting party with Dane Ripley. To escape his violent lovemaking she leaves in a passing rowboat, manned by Bob Dakin, a medical doctor. Motoring her back to Boston, he drunkenly insists that they get married. Sober again though, he is horrified, for he is engaged to Priscilla Hyde. The Dakins however, are unexpectedly friendly to Kay, insisting that she stay for a few weeks to quiet scandalous gossip. Now she is at a tea given by Mrs. Dakin. Priscilla is expected momentarily.

CHAPTER XVIII

Kay had to receive congratulations and good wishes, and said her thanks with gracious assurance; she saw the curious questions in some eyes and ignored them. There were older folk here, people of the age of Doctor and Mrs. Dakin, and Kay was at her ease with them. Then suddenly Dr. Fabre, Bob's chief, appeared with Mrs. Fabre; and Kay when she met him did find herself trembling. He was a small, fair man; and he studied her frankly, with keen blue eyes. He did not speak; and Kay said appealingly:

"I feel as though I ought to tell you my symptoms, Dr. Fabre. Are you diagnosing me?"

He smiled then. "I'm—diagnosing, Bob," he corrected; and he said seriously: "An accurate diagnosis is three-quarters of the cure."

She asked in an attempt at lightness: "Are you going to give me prescription for him?"

He hesitated. "Yes," he said then. "Keep him at home, the nights when he's on call!"

"Is he—on call often?" she asked.

"Every night," he told her, watching her closely. "I'll see to that, and I'll hold you responsible for seeing to it that he's—ready to work!"

She looked at him intently; and she spoke in a lower tone. "I think you're—not sorry about this," she said slowly. "I think you like me!" She smiled, moved her hands in a grateful gesture. "You people who are fond of Bob have all been so good to me."

He said seriously: "There is a great career waiting for Bob, if he will take it. I thought Thursday that he had thrown it away. I think perhaps he may recapture it now, with you to help him."

She met his eye steadily. "You know—what happened about us?" she asked.

"Bob told me," he agreed.

"Then how can you put any—hope in me?"

He answered: "For the first time in his life, Bob admits that he has done a mistaken and unworthy thing." His eyes twinkled. "I think now, after having seen you, that perhaps his biggest mistake is in regretting what he did. But contrition may be good for him."

Kay was trembling, and Genevieve saw her pallor and came to her side, and Dr. Fabre with a nod moved away.

Somewhat later Kay saw Bob go to meet newcomers in the hall, heard voices there which were familiar. He returned, with Cissie Means; and Cissie swooped across the room to make her duties to Mrs. Dakin, then caught Kay and kissed her.

"Darling!" she cried. "I'm so glad for you!" She bore Kay away, and Genevieve came, watchfully after them. "You know, Genevieve," Cissie exclaimed, "I deserve a lot of the credit! Indeed I do. If I hadn't made Bud and Bob take me for a row around the harbour, they'd never in the world have passed under the stern of the "Griffin"; and if they hadn't Kay would never have jumped into the boat, and nothing would have happened at all." She hugged Kay affectionately, her arm around the other's waist. "And in spite of that, ungrateful, you didn't even invite me to your wedding!"

Genevieve said in a drawling dislike: "But you had the fun of sending out the announcements, Cissie!"

Cissie's eyes were wide; she appealed to Kay. "But mercy, darling, you didn't want to keep it secret, did you?" And she exclaimed: "Heavens, if it were me, I'd publish it from the housetops! I've had my cap set for Bob for years, positively years, Kay; and he'd never even look at me. I should think you'd be the proudest and happiest girl"

"Of course," Kay said gently. "I am!"

Cissie hugged her arm. "Only, be careful, Kay," she advised, watching the other shrewdly. "Bob's as tricky as a trout. Genevieve, you know that yourself. If he were mine, I'd handcuff him and chain him to the leg of our bed!"

And she cried: "Oh, that reminds me, on the way home we stopped to see where you spent the night, Kay. Wasn't that romantic, and exciting, and everything? How terrible if you'd been hurt? I don't see how the car ever got down that bank without turning over, and I certainly don't see how Bob ever got so far off the road!" She said accusingly: "He must have been paying more attention to you than he was to his driving!"

"Naturally," Kay told her calmly; and felt Genevieve's approving touch on her arm.

"You're wonderful!" Cissie told her. She spoke in a dry, unpleasant tone, her eyes suddenly hard. "You had the sense to see your chance and take it," she said. "Just think, married to the great Bob Dakin! I can hardly believe it!"

"He is great, don't he?" Kay assented easily.

"And you're really married to him, aren't you?" Cissie insisted. "In spite of that unique wedding night?" Her eyes were keen now. "You are, aren't you, Kay? No mistake about it? No chance you'll wake up and find it's a dream?"

Kay said cheerfully: "I'm afraid not, Cissie. I know you hate to give up hope . . ."

"Meeow!" Cissie protested, and made the gesture of clawing fingers at Kay's cheeks. "Darling, I'm so happy for you!" she insisted. Then she realized that the room suddenly was silent, and she looked around and clapped her hand over her mouth. Kay followed her glance and saw Bob coming toward them; by his side a tall, fair, lovely girl, perfect in her every aspect, cool and remote and calm.

Genevieve whispered softly: "You're in for it now, child!" But it needed not the warning to tell Kay who this was. The girl by Bob's side was stripping off her gloves.

"We just this minute got in, Bob," she was saying. "Ed drove like mad, but the traffic was incredible. And what a race you missed! But of course you know. Or . . ." She looked toward Kay whom they were now approaching, and smiled, mirth in her tones. "Or have you read the papers since?"

Bob said evenly: "Read them? I practically wrote them, Pris! If you'd known how famous I was going to be, you'd never have let me go!"

All the room could hear. "And now it's too late," the girl agreed in pretended despair. "Forever too late!" They were come by this time to where Kay stood waiting, and Priscilla extended her hand to Kay. "I'm Priscilla Hyde," she explained.

"I know," Kay agreed. "I'm Kay Dakin!" She felt Genevieve's amused approval. Colour flowed faintly across Priscilla's temples, but she said calmly:

"Of course, I knew that! Everyone knows that! Everyone who has read the papers!"

Kay looked at Bob, who stood there uneasily. Voices filled the room again, covering their words. She turned to Priscilla, and something in her eyes appealed for mercy.

"I'm sorry I made Bob fail you yesterday," she said softly. "You were expecting him. It must have spoiled your party. I am sorry!"

"My dear, don't pity me," Priscilla told her laughingly. "I assure you I don't require it!"

Genevieve hooked her arm through Cissie's, who was still attentive here.

"Cissie, I want to show you my latest," she said calmly. "Come along with me!" She led Cissie, unwilling, away; and Bob and Kay and Priscilla were left together, a little isolated, near the wide window toward the street.

"You can't imagine," Priscilla said calmly, "what a sensation you two caused. Really, Bob, the race was practically ignored. Everyone was talking about you!"

"We didn't expect it to be known so soon," Bob said lamely.

"Soon?" Priscilla echoed. "Why, Cissie would have made a personal broadcast, if there had been a microphone available. I heard it from a dozen people during the afternoon, each one delighted to break the news to me."

Kay said again: "I'm really sorry Miss—Hyde.—I—know—it—was terribly hard for you!"

"For me?" Priscilla protested, with fine brows arched in cool surprise. "Not at all! I was able to tell them so much more than they know, you see."

"I met Miss—met Kay through Genevieve," Bob stammered hurriedly. "We've known each other a long time!"

"Not too long, I hope," Priscilla suggested, smiling. Kay looked at her in quick attention, and her lips suddenly were white. But Bob said blindly:

"Oh, quite a while . . ."

He looked toward the door, at a sudden stir of voices in that direction. "There are Pat and Felicia!" he cried, eagerly; and without apology he turned to make haste to greet the newcomers.

"That's Pat Norris," Priscilla told Kay, helpfully. "But of course you must know him, since you and Bob are such old friends!"

"No," Kay confessed; and she said and Priscilla looked at her with mocking eyes.

"Yes?" she prompted.

Kay hesitated, and she bit her lip. "Don't think too harshly of Bob," she begged.

Priscilla's brows lifted in surprise, hurriedly: "Miss Hyde, I do want you to know . . ." She hesitated; "Why my dear, I wish you joy of him," she protested. "Bob was always a little too eccentric for me. His vagaries—I tried to ignore them as long as possible. But Thursday afternoon he went too far, even for my patience!"

Kay's colour heightened. But she agreed politely: "He told me. He didn't blame you!"

Priscilla's brows arched. "Blame me?" she echoed.

Kay nodded, calmly now, able to defend herself. "Of course the engagement between you was just a family arrangement, with no feeling on either side. I understand perfectly!" she said in a casual tone.

Priscilla uttered an exasperated sound; and she laughed a little. "I hope you don't come to regret your—coup!" she said. "I've known Bob for years, and he's not the stuff model husbands are made of." Her eyes narrowed and she spoke icily. "But of course, ladies in haste can't pick and choose!"

Kay felt her cheek white. Her chin lifted bravely. She spoke in polite dismissal.

"My husband will want me to meet his friends," she said serenely, and walked away from Priscilla, across the floor. The room was wide, the way was long; she heard her heels pound heavily. She came to Bob's side.

Felicia Norris caught her hand. "Darling!" she exclaimed. "Come here and tell me all about it. You know Pat and I were married in Minton Green, too, by that same old man. Only it was after a football game instead of a boat race. And we've loved it!"

Bob said: "Kay, this is Pat!" I've told you about him!"

Kay's throat was dry, but she could smile. Pat Norris caught her hand. "Hullo," he said. "Say, Bob, you took your time deciding, but it paid, didn't it? Kay, look out for him. Get him broke to harness soon as you can. Felicia can give you points. She put the curb on me!"

Kay was smiling in a flaxed way. She wet her lips.

"It was November, with us," Felicia said. "Remember, Pat? But warm, Indian summer weather. We took Pat's knockabout—he calls her The Lark—and went for a week's cruise down to Long Island, afterward, and it was gorgeous! Just the two of us. That gave people time to get through talking before we came home. They will talk, you know, Kay, darling. But you just let them! It's none of their business, so long as you and Bob are satisfied!"

Kay nodded carefully; and Pat cried as though in sudden inspiration:

"Bob, by Lord Harry!"

Bob looked at him doubtfully. "Listen, Bob!" Pat exclaimed. "Here's a hunch for you! The Lark's in commission, down at Rawley's now, and I shan't want her till the eighth of July. You and Kay take her, old man! She's your'n for the rest of the V'yge! You can handle her alone!" He swung to Kay. "Can you cook, young lady? On our honeymoon, I was cap'n, first mate cook and bottle washer, and did we live high?"

He seemed to expect a reply, so Kay echoed:

"Did you?"

"Tinker mackerel!" said Pat rapturously. "Lobster stew! Clam! Man, oh man!" And he demanded: "How about it? You can slide up the coast to Penobscot Bay and back, before I want the boat. It'll be great, this time of year!"

Bob started to speak, but someone touched his arm, and he turned and saw Priscilla, here beside him.

"Bob, may I see you just a minute?" she asked.

Bob might have turned aside with her, but Kay caught his hand, detaining him. "You're mighty nice, Pat," she said to the other man. "We'll take you up on it. Won't we, Bob?"

Again, Kay has rashly yielded to impulse. She is in an embarrassing position for if Bob refuses to go, it will confirm what everyone is thinking . . . that he has been forced into the marriage. What will his answer be! Don't miss to-morrow's absorbing instalment.

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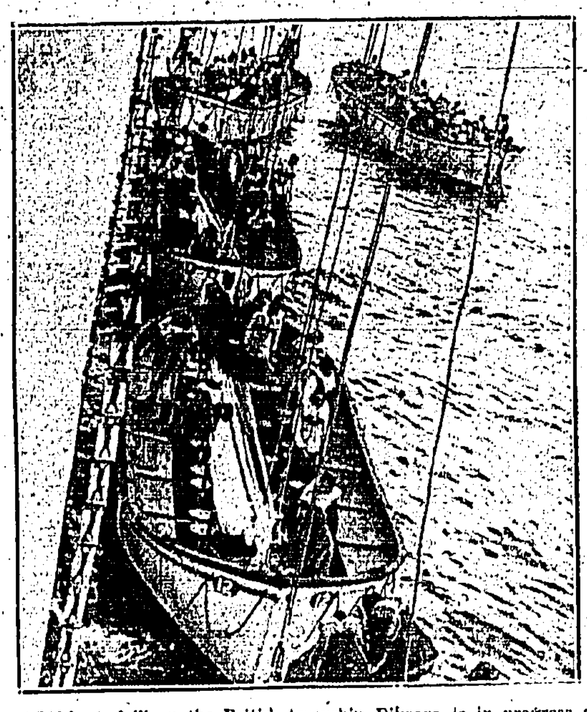
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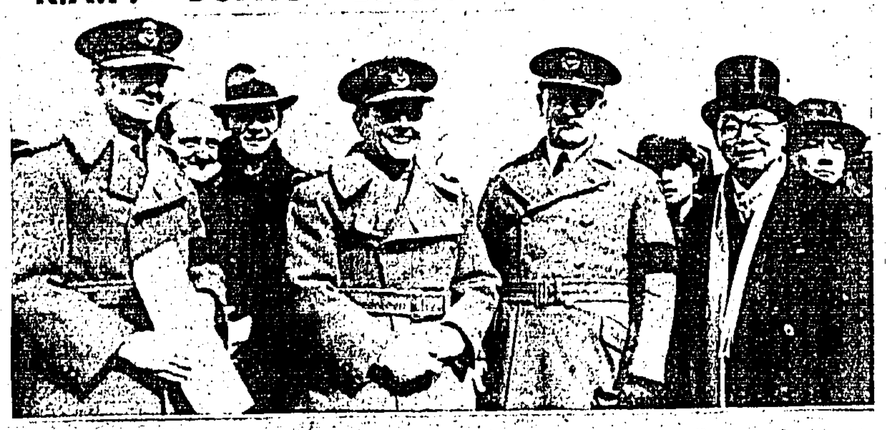
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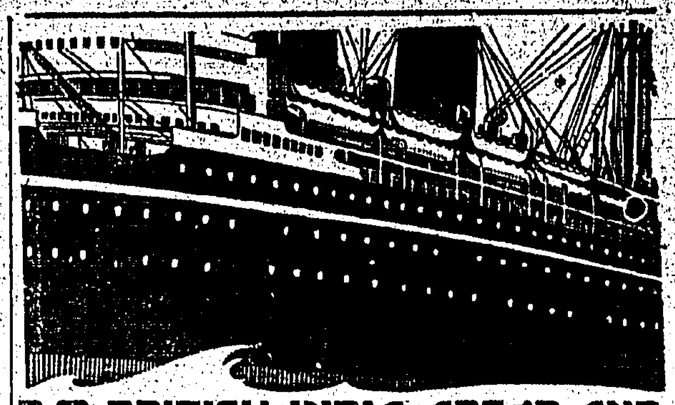


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Man Hanged For Over 42 Years

TELLS HOW IT FEELS TO "DIE"

New York, Mar. 8.

A SHORT squat man who helped decide a state election after he was hanged 42 years ago, came out of the bayous of Mississippi to describe how it feels to "die."

William Isaac Purvis, of Purvis, Mississippi, was hanged on February 7, 1894, because they said he shot and killed Will Buckley. They led him up the steps of the yellow pie gallows, strapped tight his arms and legs and wrapped a thick silk bandage around his eyes.

"Have you anything to say?" they asked. Purvis choked back the tears, because he was 19 and had much to live for, and answered: "Before God I am innocent."

KNOT SLIPPED

They cut the rope which sprang the trap door and Purvis plunged down to what should have been his death. But the knot slipped or untied—no one remembers now—and Purvis crashed eight feet to the ground.

The touch hemp rope seared his neck, tearing the flesh, and Purvis collapsed, unconscious. A deputy scratched "Executed Feb. 7, 1894" after Purvis' name but the 62 year old bayou farmer lives to-day as the world's only executed prisoner who can discuss his own "death."

Will Buckley was killed from ambush June 22, 1893, while riding back from Columbia, Miss., with his brother Jim, where they told a grand jury how the Ku Klux Klan had beaten a negro to death.

Purvis was found guilty of first degree murder and sentenced to die Sept. 6, but an appeal was carried to the State Supreme Court and the execution was delayed. Then the court affirmed the verdict, the execution was set for Feb. 7, 1894, and the 19-year-old youth prepared to die.

GAVE UP HOPE

"I had given up all hope," Purvis said here. "I really didn't see the crowd. They were just a blur of faces. Maybe I was sobbing I don't know. You see, I was so young then. But they didn't have to carry me up the steps like they did some. I went myself.

"You can't explain the feeling a man has, when he's about to die for a crime he didn't do. I can't describe it. I just suddenly fell and everything went black."

C. C. McDavid, friend of Purvis, took up the story: "When the crowd saw the rope slip, some of the women fainted," McDavid said. "A strange hush fell over the 4,000 people. Then a minister leaped forward and screamed:

"'This is an act of God. It is a sign of Providence that this man is innocent. Shall we let him die?'

"They all shouted: 'No,' and took Purvis away from the sheriff. Later he was returned because another appeal had been made to the State Supreme Court."

RE-SENTENCED

The court, however, refused to admit that Purvis was legally executed, asserting that he "did not hang by the neck until dead." Purvis' second execution was set for Dec. 12, 1895, but a few weeks before the date, friends stormed into the jail and rescued him. A new governor was elected, commuted the second death sentence, and after Purvis served 22 months on convict farms, he was granted a full pardon.

In 1920, Joe Beard, living in Columbia, Miss., confessed that he planned to kill both Buckley brothers, but that Louis Thornhill did the actual shooting. Two months later Beard died, and the Mississippi legislature gave Purvis $5,000 "for services rendered to the state" during his prison days. A few years later Thornhill confessed that he shot Will Buckley.—*United Press.*

TIBET EXPEDITION RETURNING

Honolulu, Mar. 10.

The Dolan scientific expedition into Tibet is returning to the United States with more than 150 mammals found in Tibet, skins of black bears, blue sheep, wild asses, nine species of deer and six of antelope. The specimens are destined for the Philadelphia Academy of Science.—*United Press.*

FRIDAY THE KITTEN



Friday, the kitten, has expensive tastes—swallowed the engagement ring of Miss Ivy Wesley, its mistress. X-ray photograph revealed position of the ring, an operation was performed, and here is Friday, little the worse, in Miss Wesley's arms at their Lambeth home.

Senorita de Alvarez A Bride

SECRET WEDDING TO COUNT

Paris, Mar. 8.

A MESSAGE received here to-day from St. Moritz revealed that Senorita Lili de Alvarez, the 30-years-old Spanish tennis star, has been secretly married.

She is now the bride of Comte Jean de Gaillard de la Valdene, a member of a very old French family and a flying "ace" during the war.

"Four years ago I went to Madrid as special correspondent for the London *Daily Mail* during the revolution," the Comtesse declared, "and I met the Comte there.

"We were married quietly in Madrid seven weeks ago.

"Now that I am a French subject, I shall take an interest in the French tennis tournaments."

The champion of the divided skirt and considered the most brilliant stroke-producer among the women, Senorita de Alverez reached the Wimbledon final three years in succession in 1926, 1927, and 1928.

She scratched from the early stages of the singles championship last year during what she had hoped was to prove a triumphant return to lawn tennis.

For two years before this she had been out of the game owing to illness.

Delay In Air Mail To Australia

IN the past three months, eight of the 14 air mail despatches from London have been upwards of one day late in arriving in Australia.

Delays since the operation of the Singapore-Brisbane link was commenced by the Australian-controlled service have, with only two exceptions, occurred on the Imperial Airways section of the route, on the other side of Singapore.

The two delays, each of one day, on the Australian section were occasioned by exceptionally bad weather.

The air mail record during the past three months is as follows:—

Left London	Arrived Coolamdra	Delivered
Oct. 26. 1935	Nov. 11 (r'cvd Sydney same day)	2 days late
Nov. 2	Nov. 15	1 day late
Nov. 9	Nov. 21	On time
Nov. 16	Dec. 2	4 days late
Nov. 23	Dec. 5	On time
Nov. 30	Dec. 12	On time
Dec. 7	Dec. 20	1 day late
Dec. 14	Dec. 27	1 day late
Dec. 21	Jan. 2, 1936	On time
Dec. 28	Jan. 10	1 day late
Jan. 4	Jan. 16	On time
Jan. 11	Jan. 24	1 day late
Jan. 18	Jan. 30	On time
Jan. 25		2 days late at Singapore

Minister's Tribute

"The fact that in the past three months there have been only two delays of 24 hours or more on the Singapore-Brisbane section of the air mail route justifies my paying a tribute to the capacity of Australians to run a difficult service on schedule," said the Australian Minister for Defence (Mr. Parkhill).

"The attention of Imperial Airways has been drawn to the circumstances," Mr. Parkhill said, "and they have replied that the area on the Empire Service which they control is subject to severe storm conditions and other weather features which occasion delays."

The rated operating speeds of planes on the various stages of the Imperial Airways route are:—London-Paris, 100 m.p.h.; Paris-Brindisi (by train); Brindisi-Alexandria, 100 m.p.h. Alexandria-Karachi, 100 m.p.h.; Karachi-Singapore, 125 m.p.h.

From Singapore where the Australian-controlled associate company Quantas-Empire Airways, takes over, the operating speed is 140-145 m.p.h. to Brisbane.

CRUISE TO SYDNEY?

The Queen Mary Invited

Sydney, Mar. 10.

SYDNEY, at the suggestion of the Premier of New South Wales (Mr. Stevens) has invited the new Cunard-White Star liner "Queen Mary" to visit the port during the city's sesqui-centenary celebrations which are being planned on a big scale for 1936.

The Line, *Austral News* understands, considers the request "a very nice gesture," and is considering whether it would be possible to transfer the "Queen Mary" from the Atlantic service, during the winter, to a world cruise.

Invitations to the governments of Great Britain, the United States, Japan, France, Holland, and possibly Spain and Portugal to send warships will also be issued.

PENANG-HONGKONG AIR SERVICE

STARTING NEXT WEEK

London, Mar. 15.

The first Imperial Airways liner leaves Penang on March 23, thus inaugurating a regular mail and passenger service to Hongkong, from which place it will return on March 27. From henceforth there will be a once a week service each way. Thus four and a half years of negotiations are happily concluded and Hongkong is brought within ten days of London.

Aeroplanes of the DH-86 type have accomodation for eight passengers, but the number to be carried is uncertain owing to the large load of petrol necessary for the journey via Saigon and Tourane, which is 1,750 miles. The sea crossings of 250 and 600 miles occupy about one day and a half.

Passengers will sleep at Saigon and Tourane according to which way they are flying. Only through passengers according to the arrangement with the French are to be taken, because it forbids the taking of passengers into and from Indo-China.

Continuation of the air service to Shanghai is at present not being contemplated owing to the difficulty of making arrangements with the Chinese Government.—*Reuter.*

THE LOOP-LINE

STRONGLY FAVOURED BY NANKING

Canton, March 15.

It is reported that Mr. Cheng Kung-kuan, Minister for Railways, who arrived here a few days ago, has urged the Canton Government to approve the scheme for connecting Canton-Hankow Railway with the Canton-Kowloon line.

Mr. Cheng pointed out to the Government Authorities that although Canton might be adversely affected by the scheme for a while, it was bound to help in the future. Mr. Cheng has advised the Canton leaders to adopt the long-sighted policy and to approve the Loop-Line scheme, which the Central Government considers to be very important for the future development of China.

Mr. Cheng is going to pay a visit to Whampoa harbour to-day. He is accompanied by Mr. Lo Wen-kan, Director of the Whampoa deep-water harbour scheme.—*Wah Kiu Yat Po.*

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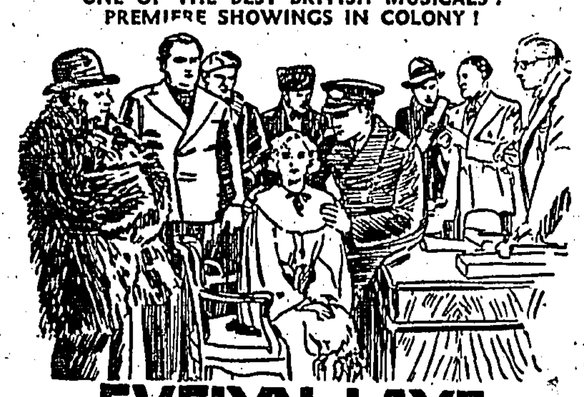
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(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

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Berlin, Mar. 16.

Hope of a peaceful settlement, through the League of Nations, of the Rhineland crisis is believed to have been wrecked by the French refusal to consider Chancellor Adolf Hitler's proposals for new treaties replacing the Versailles and Locarno pacts and by Germany's reiteration that her "Symbolic" occupation of the Rhineland must be accepted, since her troops will not be withdrawn.

It is believed that Herr Hitler's reply to the League of Nations' invitation to the London conferences constitutes his last word for the negotiation of a settlement under League auspices. Officials here recall Herr Hitler's speech at Karlsruhe when he said that if his peace offers were not accepted they would be withdrawn.

It is believed Germany will not alter her demands under French pressure. It is therefore not expected the Government will send a delegation to the League's London session, though Germany has accepted the invitation on certain conditions.

France's refusal to accept Germany's second condition (reported below) has increased the threat of an armed settlement of the Rhineland issue.—*United Press.*

Germany's Conditions

London, Mar. 15.

It is learned that Germany has accepted the League of Nations' invitation to attend the Council meeting in London, but with reservations and qualifications which are believed to mean that the country will send representatives only if the Council agrees to treat them as delegates of an independent state sitting among their equals.

A later announcement says that Germany's acceptance of the Council's invitation is subject to two conditions; first, that any discussions shall take place on a basis of equality of nations; secondly, that the Locarno Treaty shall be discussed simultaneously with Herr Adolf Hitler's new peace guarantee proposals.—*Reuter.*

Berlin Conferences

Berlin, Mar. 15.

While official circles are reticent, it is understood in diplomatic quarters that Germany has given a qualified acceptance of the League's invitation to attend future Council meetings in London.

The Chancellor, Herr Adolf Hitler, conferred with his advisers, including Dr. Paul Goebbels, Minister of Propaganda, General Herman Goering, Air Minister, and Baron von Neurath, Foreign Minister, until about 5 o'clock to-night, on the wording of the reply, which was subsequently sent to M. Joseph Avenol.—*Reuter.*

Text of Reply

London, Mar. 15.

The text of the German Government's reply to the League Council's invitation to attend the conferences in London in connection with the violation of the Versailles Treaty and the denunciation of the Locarno Pact, states:

Germany, on principle, is willing to accept the invitation, but starts from the assumption that its representative will be accorded the same rights in discussing the decisions of the Council as are enjoyed by the representatives of other powers.

The statement declares that the German Government's action, which has been the cause of the summoning of the Council, by the Belgian and French Governments, does not consist merely in the restoration of German sovereignty in the Rhineland zone, but is bound up with comprehensive and concrete proposals to give new assurance of peace to Europe.

The German Government regards the political action it has taken as a whole unit, the component parts of which cannot be separated from one another. For this reason the German Government can participate in the Council proceedings only if it is assured that the powers concerned are prepared to enter into negotiations forthwith regarding the German proposals.—*Reuter.*

LULL IN LONDON ACTIVITY

SECRET MEETING OF LEAGUE

BRITAIN'S APPEAL

London, Mar. 15.

It is now practically certain that a secret meeting of the League of Nations Council will be held this morning.

It is presumed that member-nations will discuss the German reply to the invitation to attend the London conferences, and the effect of the two conditions attached to the German acceptance.—*Reuter.*

MR. EDEN BUSY

London, Mar. 15.

The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, spent a considerable time to-day with officials at the Foreign Office, but there were no formal ministerial talks of any kind.

Pending the receipt by the Secretary General of the League in London of the German reply to the Council's invitation, there has been a comparative lull in the negotiations.

It is known that a British member of the Council was one of those who gave strongest support at yesterday's private meeting to the proposal that

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OUTBURST IN GREAT BRITAIN

HITLER'S REPLY DISAPPOINTING

FLANDIN ALSO CRITICISED

London, Mar. 16.

The German reply to the League of Nations' invitation to attend the London conferences will be greeted with an outburst of disappointment. Herr Adolf Hitler should further define his second condition, declares *The Times* to-day.

If his interpretation is that Germany should be permitted to attend the Council as a partner in deliberations intended to preclude the breaking of treaties in the future, by strengthening the treaty system, then it is a rational interpretation of the League's function.

It cannot seem that French security would profit by refusal to negotiate or contemplate a new Locarno pact which Herr Hitler proposes, the paper adds.

The *Daily Telegraph* and *Morning Post* declare the German reply is an acceptance that amounts to a refusal and has caused bitter disappointment. Germany, they say, is losing a golden opportunity.

GRAVEST CRISIS

The *Daily Mirror* perceives that the situation has reached its gravest crisis since the German troops marched into the Rhineland, but the vital fact is that leaders and peoples want peace.

The *Daily Mail* comments that each day gained renders the maintenance of peace more probable.

The *Daily Herald* asserts that if Herr Hitler wants peace he has done the most foolish thing he could possibly do because he has irritated and angered the French and disappointed the British.

The *News-Chronicle* suggests that M. Pierre Flandin's reply to Herr Hitler is far too violent. It seems melodramatic and short-sighted and British opinion won't stand for a breakdown in negotiations.—*Reuter.*

Mob Fires On Spanish Ex-Minister

HOME RIDDLED WITH BULLETS

STREET FIGHTS IN MADRID

(Special to "Telegraph")

Madrid, March 16.

Fascists attempted last night to assassinate Senor Francisco Ragado Caballero, Socialist leader and ex-Minister of Labour.

A mob riddled his home with pistol and rifle bullets. However, Senor Caballero was uninjured.

The attack followed last nights riots in which Fascists and Loftists battled for hours in the centre of the city, killing one and wounding six.

One church, five convents, a newspaper office and the headquarters of the Fascist and Traditionalist parties were set afire by the Socialist mobs.—*United Press.*

BRITAIN BACKS FRANCE

GERMAN PROPOSAL TO BE REJECTED

FLANDIN THREATENS TO QUIT PARLEYS

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

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London, Mar. 16.

Great Britain has indicated that she will join France in rejecting Germany's conditional acceptance of the invitation to participate in the League of Nations' Council discussions here concerning the Rhineland reoccupation and the violation of treaties by the German Government.

Britain has agreed to the German demand for equal treatment, but will refuse the second Berlin condition: immediate discussion of Herr Adolf Hitler's peace proposals.

This attitude was made known after M. Pierre Flandin, the French Foreign Minister, said he would leave London rather than accept the German argument, and repeated that he would not negotiate with Germany until her troops had been withdrawn from the Rhineland.

It is expected that the British rejection of the German proposal will be announced at the secret meeting of the League Council to-day.

Uncertainty Intensified

The Franco-British reception of the German reply to the League's invitation has intensified the uncertainty and foreboding in League circles. Many League authorities are of the opinion that the reception of Germany's demands has substantially destroyed any prospect of an early improvement in the international situation.

Following a telephonic conversation with the Prime Minister of France, M. Albert Sarraut, in which he was assured of the Cabinet's fullest support, M. Flandin insisted that he came to London for the specific purpose of saving the League of Nations and to record Germany's treaty violations. For this reason, he maintained, "I will leave London and the League meeting rather than discuss Herr Hitler's plan."—*United Press.*

Flandin's Warning

London, Mar. 15.

M. Pierre Flandin, the French Foreign Minister, when, informed of the qualifications governing Germany's acceptance of the invitation to attend the League Council meetings in London, issued a statement to the effect that he would rather leave London and the League Council than discuss the second of the German conditions.

This second condition is, simply, that Germany will not negotiate with the League Powers unless the German Chancellor's proposals for the renovation of security agreements are considered simultaneously.

"I came to London to have the violation of the Locarno Treaty recorded; and I won't agree to discuss anything else. And if necessary I will leave London and even the Council, temporarily," declared M. Flandin.

The German reply to the Council's invitation is likely to be unacceptable in its present form, according to certain delegations represented on the League Council. They consider that the Council must first pronounce its verdict that the Locarno Pact has been violated before it can discuss Herr Hitler's counter-proposals.

Impossible Demand

It is pointed out that Germany's acceptance on a basis of equality has ruled out the question of any vote of censure, while it is regarded as impossible that a country whose violation of an international treaty was being considered should expect to discuss simultaneously the alternative suggestions it had presented, instead of the treaty it had flouted.

Diplomatic circles consider Herr Hitler's reply is exceedingly clever, however, and one likely to embarrass the Locarno Powers.

It is pointed out that Herr Hitler's second condition conflicts with the French stipulation that evacuation of the Rhineland must take place before France will enter into a discussion of Herr Hitler's proposals, and therefore

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IS FORCE OR LAW TO RULE?

CHURCHILL LOOKS AT EUROPE

COMMENT ON CRISIS

London, March 15.

Sir Austen Chamberlain and Mr. Winston Churchill both spoke on the crisis at Birmingham last night.

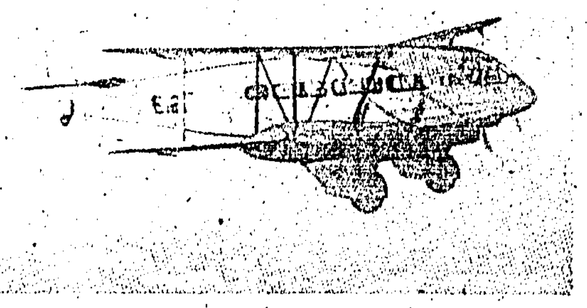
Mr. Churchill, who declared that whatever befell there could be no question of England repudiating her solemn obligations, urged that in conformity with the French offer the bearing of the Franco-Soviet Pact on the Locarno Treaties should be submitted to the World Court, but "Germany must be encouraged to place herself within the law as a preliminary to all discussion about the future."

Sir Austen Chamberlain recalled the origins of the Locarno Treaties, which, he said, were a contribution more to the security of Germany than of France. What was at stake, he declared, was this: "Is there any international morality or law, or have we returned to the rule of force in which the strongest does what he likes and the weakest goes to wall?"

PRESS COMMENT

Comment on the international situation in to-day's newspapers is affected by uncertainty as to the German reply to the invitation to attend the League Council. Both "Scrutator" in the *Sunday Times* and Mr. Garvin in the *Observer* examine the crisis in all its implications, and each, in a different manner, stresses that it is the supreme task before statesmen to avoid the dangers and to seize the opportunities of the situation.

The *Sunday Times*, in a leading article, joins in an appeal to the German Chancellor to make a gesture, on the grounds that the issues boil down very largely to a question of confidence. "Let it be repeated that it is not the German claim or the German offer, but the German method, which had made Europe's present crisis perilous."—*British Wireless.*



The DH-86 type of plane which Imperial Airways are using on the service between Hongkong and Penang, linking with the London and Australia services. The first flight from Hongkong will take place on March 27.

COLONY'S NEW AIR SERVICE

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Imperial Airways (Far East) Ltd., announces that final approval has been received for the operation of a commercial air service between Hongkong and Penang, following the route established by the recently completed series of experimental flights.

The service will be once weekly in each direction and connection will be made at Penang with the through England-Australia services.

The first outward bound aircraft is expected to leave Penang on March 23, arriving in Hongkong on the 24th., and the first homeward bound service will leave Hongkong on March 27.

It is possible that on subsequent flights the departure from Penang will be advanced to Sunday with arrival in Hongkong on Monday, and that the departure from Hongkong will be retarded to Saturday—thus reducing the through time to and from London.

The route will be operated by the D.H. 86 type of aircraft which has given such satisfactory performances on the experimental flights, and which is extensively used by Imperial Airways in Europe and by Qantas Empire Airways on the Singapore-Brisbane sector of the Australian route.

The fares to London, Penang, and Singapore have been established as follows:—London, £175; Penang, £30; Singapore, £35. Fares to other ports will be announced later.

It is understood that the airmail rates are now receiving consideration and that an announcement will shortly be made by the postal authorities.

An office is being opened by Imperial Airways (Far East) Ltd., at No. 4, The Arcade, Peninsula Hotel, the anticipated opening date being Monday, March 23. In the meantime enquiries regarding the service should be addressed to Mr. M. H. Curtis, Room 201, Peninsula Hotel.

"CHARLIE CHAN" IN HONGKONG

WARNER OLAND SEES FAR EAST

SEEKING LOCAL COLOUR

Good news was waiting for Mr. Warner Oland, famous Hollywood film star, when he arrived in Hongkong this morning from America on the N.Y.K. liner Taiyo Maru. The news came in the form of a cable which read: "Preview a knockout, personal performance superb. Louise joins me in sending love to you both—Jack." "Jack," Mr. Oland explained, was his manager.

The picture referred to is "Charlie Chan at the Circus," Mr. Oland's latest picture and the eleventh in his series of Charlie Chan films. After completing the film, Mr. Oland found he had a little over two months free and decided "almost overnight" to take a trip with Mrs. Oland to the country with which he has had so much to do indirectly.

During his stay in Hongkong, Mr. Oland hopes to visit Canton, to pick up as much local colour as possible. He will probably join the Empress of Asia on March 20 and change to the Empress of Britain at Shanghai, allowing himself a few days in both ports. He plans to be back in Los Angeles on May 2. During his stay in Hongkong he will reside at the Peninsula Hotel.

"CHARLIE" ORIGIN

"It was only by chance that I took up portraying Chinese characters, though the character Charlie Chan himself is based on a real man.—A Pan-ah of Honolulu. I knew him quite well."

The eleventh of his series of Charlie Chan pictures has just been completed and the twelfth is ready for the actor to begin work on when he returns. It is to be "Charlie Chan at the Racecourse."

Mr. Oland's knowledge of Chinese language is very meagre, though through his long study of his parts as a Chinese he has acquired a fair knowledge of the country's philosophy. "That is why I came here, to see the country. What I shall pick up which will help me in my work I don't yet know; I have no very definite ideas about that. However, I want to see as much of the country as I may."

In all of the Charlie Chan pictures the Chinese element is under the supervision of a Chinese technical adviser.

When told that some of his films had not been shown in Hongkong—"Charlie Chan in Shanghai" being cited—Mr. Oland laughed, shrugged his shoulders and remarked, "Now I wonder why that was? Countries are getting very particular these days, you know!"

AUTOGRAPH COLLECTORS

The famous screen star and his wife were both very kind to pressmen who interviewed them in their cabin and to a number of folk who soon appeared at the door in search of autographs. "I'm very camera shy, you know!" laughed Mr. Oland when his photo was taken, he and his wife consenting to pose.

It seemed strange that a man seen so often in Chinese settings should be so thrilled and surprised at the surroundings in which he found himself on leaving the ship. "Well, this is a sight for sore eyes, the beauty and strangeness of the whole scene is amazing. But you people wouldn't notice that, living in it all the time!"

ANOTHER OF MDIVANI BROTHERS KILLED

Del Ray Beach, Mar. 15.

Prince Serge Mdivani, one of the famous Georgia Mdivanis, was killed in a polo accident to-day.

The marriage of Prince Serge to the ex-opera singer, Mary McCormic, was recently dissolved. She was his second wife. The first was the film actress, Pola Negri, who divorced him in April, 1931.

Prince Alexis Mdivani, who was divorced from the American heiress, Miss Barbara Hutton, since remarried, was recently killed in an automobile accident in Spain.

Of the three brothers now only David survives.

When he divorced Miss McCormic, Prince Serge named Mr. Samuel Insull, the noted utilities magnate, as "the frequent companion of his wife."

Miss McCormic replied that her friendship with Mr. Insull was perfectly wholesome, and that it was a shame to bring old gentlemen into such a case.—*Reuter.*

STRIKE FAILS; UNION READY TO NEGOTIATE

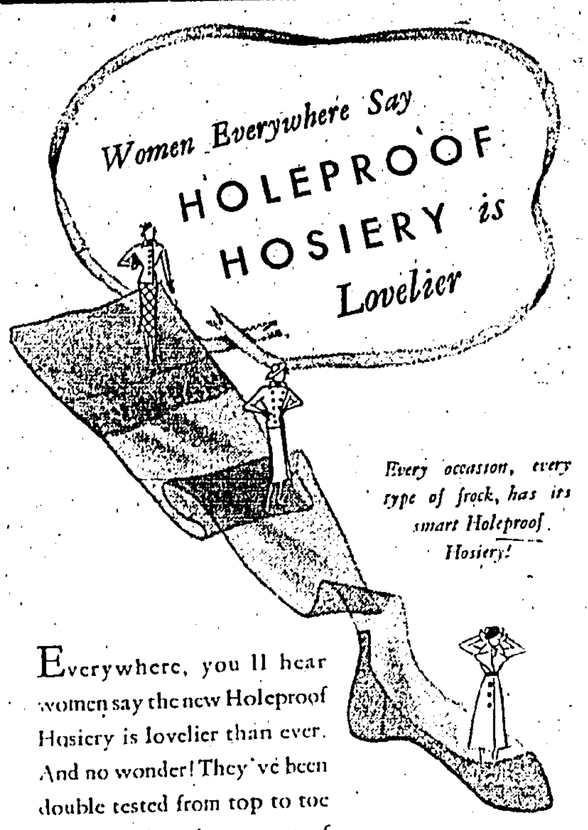
New York, Mar. 15.

The fortnight's lift operators' strike and the sympathetic walk-out of other building service employees, have ended with the agreement of employers to reinstate the strikers.

The strikers' unions compromised by agreeing to abandon the demand that only union members should be employed in New York lifts.

Wages and various other minor matters, over which there has been some dissension, will be settled later by arbitration.

Thus, the fortnight's strike has accomplished nothing whatever. It has cost union workers some days' wages and the police and civic authorities considerable sums in one way and another. But the matters over which the disagreement arose are to be settled by arbitration, and might have been remedied by this means without recourse to a strike, and the violence which accompanied it.—*Reuter.*



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Snake Said To Bring Ill Luck

East Grinstead (Sussex), Mar. 10.

HIGH over East Grinstead's new £30,000 hospital, on top of the tower, is a serpent—symbolical of Æsculapius, god of healing. It will not be there much longer. A weather vane is to replace it at a cost of £63.

Superstitious people in East Grinstead sigh with relief. For they regard the serpent as an omen of ill luck.

In support of their reasoning, they point to the facts that:

It rained heavily when the opening ceremony was performed by Princess Helena Victoria on January 8.

The hospital matron, Miss Garlett, and a nurse themselves became patients on the first day. The matron had quinsy trouble; the nurse suffered from a poisoned arm.

Two patients, an elderly woman and an eighteen-month-old child, died within ten days of the opening.

A steriliser broke down.

All the work of the sinister serpent said the superstitious ones.

WHAT PATIENTS SAID

The hospital authorities do not agree. Though most of them dislike the snake, they think the £63 could very well have been used for other purposes.

This is what some of the patients said—

Mrs. Dixon, undergoing a serious operation to-morrow: "Snakes don't trouble me—it's ridiculous."

Doreen Jones, aged thirteen, recently operated on for mastoids: "The snake doesn't frighten me."

Mrs. Skelton: "I was brought in here in a state of collapse and I'm getting on fine. The snake hasn't done me any harm."

The men patients are equally emphatic.

Still, the superstitious ones of East Grinstead will not sleep contentedly until the serpent that dominates their new hospital is taken down.



While large parts of the United States were visited by cold and snowstorms, film stars in California were able to practise sailing in bright sunshine. Charming Maureen O'Sullivan is seen aboard her yacht.

When Kipling Was The Editor

FOR 48 HOURS

Johannesburg, Transvaal, Mar. 6.

A UNIQUE signed copy of a programme bearing the words of Kipling's "The Absent-Minded Beggar" and a copy of a newspaper edited by him during the South African War form part of a Kipling Exhibition which has been opened here.

The newspaper is the *Friend*, of Bloemfontein, and bears the superscription, "Edited by the war correspondents with Lord Roberts."

Kipling boasted that he edited the newspaper for 48 hours.

Another newspaper in the exhibition is the Mafeking news sheet of January 29, 1900, dated "108th day of the siege." In spite of the difficulties of the time, the sheet devoted a column to the words of "The Absent-Minded Beggar," which was then being sung in theatres and music halls throughout the Empire.

There is also on show a copy of the only cheap edition of a work by Kipling which ever appeared. Mr. Kipling sold the copyright of "Departmental Ditties," and then discovered that it was being printed with a paper cover, priced at sixpence.

He was so mortified at the appearance of the book that he rebought the copyright and withdrew the whole edition.

The exhibition has been assembled by the acting director of the African Museum in the new public library here, Mr. W. B. Morrison, who was a friend of Kipling until his death, and a keen collector of his works.

"JUBILEE" HAS A PARTY AT LONDON ZOO

"Jubilee," the Zoo's greatest treasure and the most photographed and most discussed baby in London, threw a tea party last month to celebrate her first birthday anniversary.

It was a real chimpanzee's tea party with Jubilee and her mother, Boo-boo, the famous chimp, as hostesses.

On Jubilee's behalf the Zoo invited a large party of young children from humble homes, to be their guests in the Zoo. They assembled in the Zoo and were taken to see Jubilee and Boo-boo, but they saw her behind a glass screen so that she shouldn't catch a cold from them.

The tea was the jolly tea that the Zoo has served so well to millions of youngsters since the war days, but of course the cake had a real birthday character.

THRIVING WELL

Never before has the Zoo housed such a popular figure as this baby, 12 months old.

The baby thrived. She is a cheery little creature over 10lbs in weight and is now able and ready to "cheek" her mother, to the great delight of visitors.

She has come safely through the cold spell. Some time ago she caught a cold and her keepers had anxious days, but now she is skipping about, climbing up and down the ropes and wires and even trying the chimp's characteristic—little trick of kicking the iron door with a bang.

Measles Without Misery

22 BOYS ENJOYED BEING ILL

The cases of 22 boys suffering with measles who were "bright and cheerful" throughout the attack and had to be reprimanded more than once for being "too high-spirited" are described in this month's *British Medical Journal*.

They were some of 40 boys in bed at one time during an epidemic of measles early this winter at a preparatory school near Malvern.

The remaining 18 boys "lay like logs" for three days, ill and miserable, and all had bronchitis with cough and severe respiratory symptoms. One had broncho-pneumonia.

NO AFTER-EFFECTS

The lightness with which the first group took the disease is ascribed to the protection given by convalescent serum. All 22 were inoculated.

They not only "enjoyed" measles, but showed no complications or after-effects. Their fever period was 0.5 days as against 1.7 days in the unprotected group. Their loss of weight was only 0.33lb., against 1.17lb.

Every chance should be taken to add to the supply of this serum, which is scarce, says G. W. Elkington, who describes the epidemic. He adds that the serum is "a powerful weapon" to ward off dreaded complications.

Canada Boils Currency, Then Sells Pulp Paper

Ottawa, Mar. 10.

The Canadian Government now "boils" its old banknotes instead of burning them.

Last year $50,000,000 in common bank notes were dumped into a huge vat and boiled to a pulp, which was sold to papermakers.

Burning of old bills was abandoned as "wasteful" and because of the possibility of scraps of notes, partially burned, being carried through chimneys to the outdoors.

—*United Press.*

EX-HANGMAN FAILS TO HANG HIMSELF

"LOSS OF SKILL"

Warsaw, Mar. 10.

Alfred Maciejewski, an ex-hangman, was found hanging from a tree in the park near the Belvedere Palace to-day. The knot, however, was faulty and he revived under medical treatment.

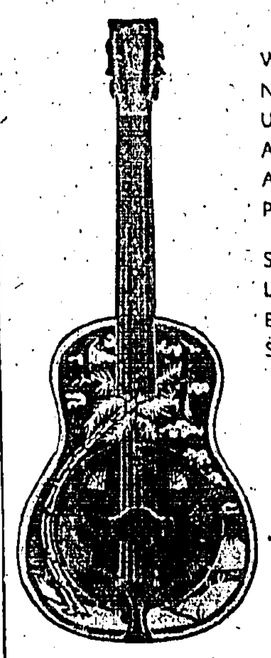
When questioned in court, he apologised for his "loss of professional skill." He explained that he had made the abortive attempt at suicide because he had been jilted by his sweetheart, who refused to have anything to do with an "ex-killer."

Maciejewski, whose real name is Kalt, unsuccessfully sued the State last June for £1,500 damages for injuries received in the execution of his official duties. He alleged that the injuries, which permanently affected his ability to earn a living, were due to a faulty rope being supplied when he was executing a gangster named Bloch.

The rope broke, he said, and Bloch temporarily free, attacked him, kicking him savagely in the abdomen.

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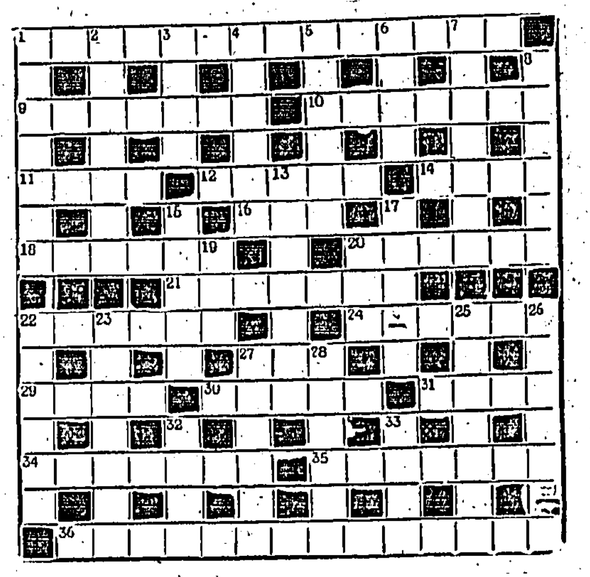
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9 Cambridge college.
10 Suitable coiffure for the sea side?
11 This political economist was not well when he lost his head.
12 A saintly race.
14 Father wants nothing more to make this decoration.
16 To be found on a new penny.
18 Is this where the Italians get their 'planes from?
20 Two verbs together are frank.
21 "In grave" (anag.).
22 This dye is apparently far from sensible.
24 The "Mental Institution" of other days.
27 Hedge-row berry that may have cheery results.
29 Balsam.
30 A useful match.
31 The soft part of 9 across.
34 Of course only a foolish fellow would get into this part of his car.
35 Have a drink of wine for something strengthening.
36 Not a fleet officer unless fleet means fast.

DOWN

1 If this part of the body is upset it makes men bad and nothing more.
2 Flower.
3 Letters that were a protection to warriors.
4 Could this vessel do the work of a tug?
5 English county.
6 The chief reason for an assembly of cockfighters.
7 One whose actions if extreme are yet mean.
8 Past.
13 Book of the O.T.
15 This ally must be taken separately.
17 The sort of goods that might make one swear.
19 Title.
20 Vehicle.
22 Visitors to this Continental town find it altered in much.
23 Make of car.
25 This man is aged at last.
26 Giant.
27 Soldier.
28 This human being becomes more important with age.
32 A great expanse in Australasia.
33 A recess.

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SPY STORY OF GLIDER-GIRL IN CLARET, WHITE AND GREEN: GORTZ GUILTY

WARS ON 'BOES



The campaign of Police Chief James E. Davis of Los Angeles to rid Southern California of vagrants by turning them back at state borders has caused widespread comment. Chief Davis sent squads of police to the Arizona, Nevada and Oregon borders to stop indigents entering the state.

Found! The Perfect Motorist

Trenton, N.J., Mar. 6.

Joseph S. Cortelyou of Haworth, Bergen county, is today in New Jersey's hall of fame for motorists after a citation by Arthur W. Magee, acting motor vehicle commissioner, for having driven motorcars for 39 years without a single accident, without ever receiving a "ticket" for traffic law violation and without ever getting a "bawling out" by a policeman.

Mr. Cortelyou has his office in New York, and commutes daily. Not only is he what Mr. Magee calls a "safe driver," but Mrs. Cortelyou also belongs in the same category.

Wife In Same Class

"She has a perfect record," Mr. Cortelyou said. "One reason is that she understands what makes the wheels go round."

Mr. Cortelyou is a mechanical engineer and is a builder of motorcars. He attributed his perfect record as a driver to "being careful."

"It's plain common sense," he said. "Some of the safety campaigns popular right now are pretty silly; an drivers to-day don't know enough about the mechanics of their cars. Twenty or 30 years ago, when a man bought a car, he often had to 'get out and get under' and had to understand the machinery to keep the car going. He understood his brakes and his gears. Cars were new and strange then and drivers were not so familiar with them, so they were more careful how they used them."

Speed And Safety

Mr. Cortelyou held that too much "harping" was done on speed in connection with talk about safety.

"Speed means nothing unless road, traffic and weather conditions are taken into consideration," he said.

Mr. Cortelyou had two suggestions with regard to safety. One was that state motor vehicle departments award an insignia of merit to drivers who have no accidents, the insignia to be fastened to the driver's car. The other was that drivers who had no accidents benefit by reduced insurance rates.

LATE KING'S LAST CHARTER

TO DANCING ACADEMY

One of the last Royal Charters to be granted by King George is now in the possession of the Royal Academy of Dancing, formerly the Association of Operatic Dancing of Great Britain, whose president is Mme. Genee-Isitt.

"Some months ago the King gave us permission to call the association the Royal Academy of Dancing," Mme. Genee-Isitt said. The Royal Charter was granted at the King's last Privy Council in London, and on Jan. 17 it received his signature at Sandringham.

GERMAN AIRMAN ON ESPIONAGE TRIAL

Photographs from R. A. F. Man and Cipher Code

A GERMAN aviator's visits to aerodromes in East Anglia; the discovery in his rooms of a cipher identification system; a copy of an application for employment in the German Intelligence Service; and the friendship of a young woman, stated to be his niece, with a young R.A.F. aircraftman. . . .

These were points in the prosecution's case against Hermann Gortz (45), a doctor, lawyer, novelist, and former member of the German Air Service, who was found Guilty in London last week with contravening the Official Secrets Act, and was sentenced to four years' penal servitude.

The aircraftman, Kenneth Lewis, stated that the young woman described as Dr. Gortz's niece, Marianne Emig, spoke to him when his motor-cycle broke down. She wore claret-coloured breeches, a white scarf and a green jumper.

At her request he sent her photographs of aeroplanes, but these could have been bought at any shop. During his leave he saw her nearly every day.

STAYED NEAR AERODROME

Mr. H. J. Parham appeared for the Director of Public Prosecutions, and Mr. Alexander Cairns defended.

Gortz, a tall, upright figure, appeared in the dock with his dark hair immaculately brushed and wearing a smart double-breasted suit, khaki shirt and red tie.

Outlining the case, Mr. Parham said that Gortz landed at Harwich on Aug. 29 this year and described himself as a lawyer novelist who had come to study export law cases at Cambridge. He had been to this country before.

On Sept. 11 he came to Broadstairs with a young woman and took a bungalow in Stanley Road.

AIRCRAFTMAN INVITED TO GERMANY

Gortz and the young woman, Marianne Emig, occupied the bungalow from September 14 to a date in October. They became friendly with a young aircraftman from Manston Aerodrome who was on leave, and appeared anxious to get information about the aerodrome.

She asked the airman to let her have photographs of R.A.F. machines and to send her postcards of machines and also aerial photographs of the station at Lee on Solent.

She also said that she and her uncle were returning to Germany any day on important work and she invited the aircraftman to go to Germany, saying she would help him financially.

It was agreed that they should write to each other. Miss Emig asked him to write on R.A.F. paper, use envelopes with the R.A.F. crest and to destroy any letters he might get from her.

When Dr. Gortz was arrested on his return from Germany on him were three letters addressed from the aircraftman to the young woman and some photographs of aeroplanes sent by him.

On October 26, Mr. Parham continued, the police found at the bungalow a large number of articles which clearly indicated that Dr. Gortz had been making extensive researches regarding the R.A.F. The most important was a sketch of the aerodrome at Manston.

Notes on the sketch made it clear that the information fell within the category "information which might be useful to an enemy."

Dr. Gortz again landed at Harwich on Nov. 8 and was taken into custody. On him were found a large number of articles which showed that he had been assiduously collecting R.A.F. information.

Later he made a remark which, Mr. Parham submitted, rather indicated that the friendship between Miss Emig and the airman was not of an innocent character.

He said to the officer, "Perhaps Miss Emig, my niece, has been getting herself into trouble because she had been friendly with a young fellow in the Air Force who has been sending her photographs."

"MATERIAL FOR A NOVEL"

When charged he made a long statement, supplemented later by another, and in them he made three points:

1 That the material he was collecting was for a novel he was writing and also for an essay on the enlargement of the British Air Force.
2 That what he did he did openly.
3 That he had no intention of infringing the law.

At the bungalow was also found a copy of an application regarding employment in the German Intelligence Service and also a cypher indicator.

There was also found a document apparently a letter to his wife, unfinished and undated, in which he referred to the fact that he wished to place himself at the disposal of the Secret Service and to show them they had made a mistake in refusing him.

Evidence was then called.

Mrs. Florence E. Johnson, the owner of the bungalow in which Dr. Gortz lived at Broadstairs, said that he had an overall for motor-cycling, and in the pocket she found a camera.

AIRCRAFTMAN IN WITNESS-BOX

Kenneth Lewis, a fresh-complexioned young aircraftman in R.A.F. uniform, was next called. He said that now he was stationed at Halton R.A.F. camp.

In September he was stationed with the R.A.F. at Lee-on-Solent. He had 16 days' leave, and motor-cycled to his home at Broadstairs.

After about a week he had some ignition trouble with his bicycle at the bottom of Crow Hill. A young woman with a motor-cycle came up and asked if she could help him.

Mr. Parham produced a photograph which Lewis said was his and was of the young woman. Lewis said that she was wearing claret-coloured breeches, a white scarf and a green pullover. He was wearing Army service uniform.

SAW HER NEARLY EVERY DAY

Lewis said that he saw her the next day by her appointment, and during the remaining week of his leave he saw her nearly every day.

He returned to Lee-on-Solent, but returned to Broadstairs about a fort night later for the week-end. On the Saturday he had tea at the invitation of the young woman, Miss Emig, at the bungalow with her and Dr. Gortz.

Mr. Parham: What was the topic of conversation at the tea table?—In ten minutes Dr. Gortz started to tell me his experience in the German Air Force. Gradually the conversation worked round to the Royal Air Force.

Mr. Parham: Did they both take part in this conversation?—Yes, sir.

GIRL GLIDER IN GERMANY

Did they either, or both of them, seem to have much knowledge about the British Air Force?—I was surprised at the information they were able to tell me about the Royal Air Force.

Lewis stated that Miss Emig mentioned Manston twice, and she seemed to have an excellent knowledge of it. She told him that she was very interested in flying and was a girl glider in Germany.

Lewis said that at the tea table on that afternoon he mentioned that he still had about 14 days leave and she asked him if he would go to Germany to spend a holiday there. He told her that he could not afford it.

Miss Emig told him that she would help him financially. She also told him that she and Dr. Gortz would be returning to Germany any day.

DESTROYED HER LETTERS

Mr. Parham: Did she make some remark about a possible war?—Yes; she just mentioned that I was to remember that if there was another war Germany would be on the English side.

Lewis said that he had written to Miss Emig at her request using R.A.F. crested paper and envelopes. He had now two letters and two postcards he had received from her. Other letters he had destroyed at her request.

He was given to understand that Dr. Gortz and Miss Emig were returning to Germany in regard to the former's novel.

After Miss Emig had gone to Germany they continued to write to one another. At first he wrote to her at Hamburg and then she sent a postcard asking him to write to an address in Berlin.

Mr. Parham read the address: "Berlin W 8, Hospiz am Gendarmen Marke," and produced three letters which Lewis said he had written, and pointed out that they were found in the possession of Dr. Gortz, and still contained photographs of aerial machines.

COULD BE BOUGHT IN A SHOP

Lewis said that he also sent newspaper cuttings of no value, and a semi-aerial view of the front of Lee-on-Solent air station. This photograph was missing from the envelope.

Mr. Cairns (cross-examining): So far as you know, you have not supplied Miss Emig with any secret information?—No, sir.

And these photographs which you sent, including the semi-aerial view, could all be bought at an ordinary shop?—Yes.

And you were asked to label it by adding an R.A.F. crest on the envelope?—Yes.

So that if any secrets were being communicated to Hamburg or Berlin there is a warning outside the envelope, "Just watch this"?—Yes, but it was a protection as well.

It does not prevent the Post Office opening such letters?—They do open them in Germany, I believe.

You sent nothing you think you ought not to have sent?—No.

MEMBER OF NAZI FLYING CLUB

Detective-Sergeant Allen, who arrested Dr. Gortz at Harwich, said that a search of his baggage revealed a series of documents. There was a Press cutting relating to Wing-Commander Smith, of the R.A.F., a letter from Dr. Heinrich Rohl, a diary and notebook, and a sheet from the "Air Pilot" relating to Hornchurch.

Detective-Sergeant Ivor T. Williams stated that Dr. Gortz, when in his custody, said that he was a frequent visitor to England until the spring of 1931 engaged on business for Siemens, as he was their lawyer.

After leaving the firm he tried, he said, to obtain British financial help for a large hotel in Hamburg.

"I was a pilot in the war," he added, "but now do some private flying with the Nazi private flying club in Hamburg."

Detective F. Smith produced articles found in the bungalow.

They included an identity sheet relating to Dr. Gortz, a file of papers including a letter addressed to "Dear Gaga," a book called the "Air Pilot," a plan of Manston Aerodrome (found in a trunk), and a sketch map showing the aerodromes in South-East England.

There was also an R.A.F. list 1935, a list of publications on aeronautics, a map of East Anglia, an exercise book bearing the name of Marianne Emig and enclosing newspaper cuttings, an R.A.F. diary, souvenir postcards of H.M.S. Eagle, aircraft carrier, a cipher identification indicator, a writing pad with a draft letter beginning "Dear Mr. Lewis."

DR. GORTZ'S ALLEGED STATEMENT

The detective said that Dr. Gortz stated that he was a resident of Hamburg. "I do not think I hurt in any way the law," he added. "In any case I had no intent to offend the hospitality I enjoy in England."

He said that he intended to get some stuff for a great novel with a setting in East Anglia and the German country of Anglia (Schleswig-Holstein) describing two families connected by origin and later by marriage. On the horizon, in his story, was the danger of a European war.

Dr. Gortz stated that after holidays of a month in Freshwater, Isle of Wight, Slapton, in Devon near Dartmouth, and Launceston, Cornwall, he went by motor-bicycle, accompanied by Miss Emig, to Suffolk.

Later they stayed at Burton Mill, between Cambridge and Thetford. They found at Mildenhall a guest-house, the owner of which was Mr. Lewis.

HIS INTEREST AS AN AVIATOR

He went to Germany and arranged sufficient means to maintain him to the end of the year.

Returning to the guest-house he and Miss Emig cycled to places such as Ely, King's Lynn, Norwich and Bury St. Edmunds. At Mildenhall they saw the aerodrome being constructed.

As a war aviator and still a pilot he was interested in new airports and he found that the greater number of these were in East Anglia, Norfolk, Suffolk and Lincoln, so he saw that his idea of the story in his novel was reality.

At a bookstall he asked if, as a foreigner, he was allowed to buy the Air Force List and he was told that everybody could buy it.

He made the sketch of Manston aerodrome from a public road, after getting permission from an airman. He told him he was a German. He did not hide anything. He had intended to write an essay on the development of the R.A.F.

STORY OF R.A.F. MAN'S LETTER

Dr. Gortz's statement added that "One day Miss Emig got a letter addressed 'Miss Zundapp' from a certain Kenneth Lewis. We both did not know this young man. He said in his letter that he was admiring Miss Emig for smart riding and that he was interested in motor-cycling and he asked in a very polite form if he could see her, with my permission.

"Miss Emig showed me this letter and I was very glad she had found a young man with whom she could talk and write English, as she was trying to learn this language."

Major W. E. H. Cook, of the War Office, read a letter stated to be from Dr. Gortz to his wife, saying: "Do not let us get to hate each other," speaking of "cruel years" and "the spectre of bankruptcy standing in front of me," and saying he would like to place himself at the disposal of the Secret Service.

Dr. Gortz sprang up and, gesticulating with his arms, cried, "I protest against these translations. All these things are in a quite wrong and different light. It is a wrong translation."

CIPHER IDENTIFICATION

An alleged letter of Dr. Gortz applying for employment in the German Air Ministry was stated to say that he was in contact with American and English wartime officers through his work of examining prisoners.

"I was successful in my methods of interrogation in which I used drawing-room tones," the letter was stated to say. "There was hardly an aviator from whom I was unable to get more or less important statements."

Major Cook explained to the Bench a system of cipher and cipher identification which was alleged to have been found in Dr. Gortz' possession.

Major Cook agreed that the cipher was a means of checking the identification of the sender of information. It did not attempt to conceal the other contents of the communication.

On the application of Mr. Parham the court was cleared so that the evidence of three witnesses from the Air Ministry might be taken in camera.

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While workmen were ripping up a carpet in her apartment, charges Betty Burns, film actress, a tack flew into her eye, imparing her vision. She has filed suit for $110,000 against Los Angeles apartment owners.

Hongkong Doctors For Surgical Convention

HONOLULU MEET

Honolulu, Mar. 12.

PROMINENT surgeons from all countries bordering the Pacific will gather in Honolulu August 6 to 14 for the second congress of the Pan Pacific Surgical Association at which latest developments in all phases of surgery will come under discussion.

An official invitation to the governments of the United States, Canada, Central and South America, Australia, New Zealand, Japan, China, Hongkong, Java and the Philippines to send delegates to the congress has been extended at the request of the governor of Hawaii by the U.S. State Department.

Many of the noted medical experts who participated in the first congress held here in 1929 have signified their intention of attending this summer's meeting.

Among the medical experts expected to take an active part in the congress will be W. S. New, chairman, Chinese Medical Association, Shanghai; J. H. Liu, director, Department of Health, Nanking; P. F. Greene, chief of surgical division, Hunnan-Yale Medical College, Changshau; H. L. Chang, Peiping Union Medical College; B. Martin, head of department of surgery, Sun Yat-sen University, Canton, Prof. H. Digby, University of Hongkong; Y. S. Lee, Severenace Union Medical College, Seoul, Korea; E. Nowak, Soerabaia, Java; J. K. W. Neuberger and J. Kuilman, Semarang, Java; Archibald Watson, Adelaide University; Sir James Barrett and T. F. Ryan, Melbourne; J. Hardie Neil, Auckland, N.Z.; H. O. Barnes, Los Angeles; Clarence E. Rees, San Diego; J. C. Geiger, director of public health, San Francisco; W. Jones Harriman, Long Beach; L. R. Chandler, dean of school of medicine, Stanford University, Palo Alto, California; A. H. Peacock and A. T. Wannamaker, Seattle, Wash., C. Jeff Miller, New Orleans; Malcolm T. MacEachern, associate director, American College of Surgeons, Chicago.

The congress will be divided into fourteen major sections for discussion and study. The divisions include: general surgery, surgical research, neuro-surgery, plastic surgery, traumatic surgery, orthopedic surgery, otolaryngology, ophthalmology, malignancy, proctology, anesthesia, gynecology and obstetrics, roentgenology and neurological surgery.

Dr. George W. Swift, Seattle, Wash., internationally prominent for his work in neuro-surgery and president of the Pan Pacific Surgical Association, will preside over the congress.—*United Press.*



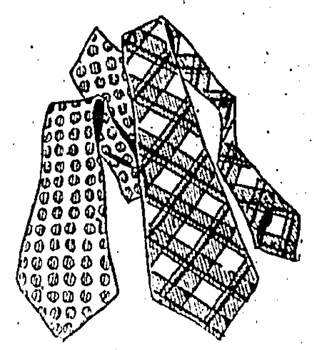
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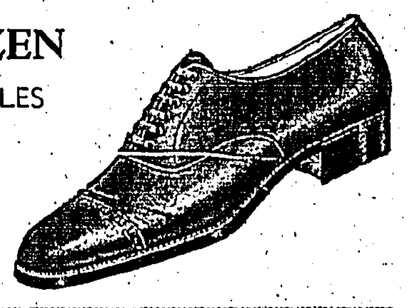
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SHARE PRICES

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Banks
H. K. Banks, $1,545 b.
H. K. Banks (Lon. Reg.), £100¾ n.
Chartered Bank, £14½ n.
Mercantile Bank, A. and B. £30 n.
Mercantile Bank C., £13½ n.
East Asia Bank, $73 n.
Insurances.
Canton In., $270 n.
Union In., $555 b.
China Underwriters, $1.00 n.
China Fire, $480 n.
H.K. Fire In., $260 n.
Internat'l Assce., Sh. $3¼ n.
Shipping.
Douglas, $36 n.
H.K. Steamboats, $5½ n.
Indo-Chinas, (Pref.), $30 n.
Indo-Chinas (Def.), $20 n.
Shell (Bearer), 86/3 n.
Union Waterboats, $14½ n.
Mining.
Antamoks, $1.86 b. and sa.
Balatocs, $21¼ n.
Baguio Gold, 18 cts. n.
Benguet Consolidated, $18.40 n.
Benguet Exp., 14 cts. n.
Big Wedge, 27 cts. b.
Gold Creek, 15 cts. n.
Gold River, 7 cts. n.
Ipo Mining, $2½ n.
Itogons, 65 cts. n.
Salacot, 15 cts. n.
Kailan, 11/- n.
Langkats (Single), $10 n.
S'hai Explorations, Sh. $4½ n.
S'hai Loans, Sh. $4 n.
Raubs, $11¼ n.
Venz: Goldfield $3½ n.
Docks etc.
H.K. Wharves (old), $91 b.
H.K. & W. Docks $9 n.
Providents (old), $1.15 b. and sa.
Providents (new), 50 cts. n.
Hongkew (old), Sh. $190 n.
New Engineerings, Sh. $4 n.
Shanghai Docks, Sh. $79 n
Cotton Mills.
Ewo Cotton's Sh. $8 n.
S'hai Cottons (old), Sh. $70 n.
S'hai Cottons (new), Sh. $40 n.
Zoong Sings, $12 n.
Wing On Textiles, Sh. $25 n.
Lands, Hotels, etc.
H. and S. Hotels, $4 b.
H.K. Lands, $30½ n.
H.K. Lands, 4% Deben. $100 b.
S'hai Lands, Sh. $18 n.
Metropolitan Lands, Sh. $10 n.
Humphries, $9.70 s.
H.K. Realties, $5.85 n.
Chinese Estates, $84 n.
China Realties, Sh. $4 n.
China Debentures Sh. $60 n.
Public Utilities.
H.K. Tramways, $10¾ sa.
Peak Trams, (old), $7 n.
Peak Trams, (new), $3 n.
Star Ferries, $84 n.
Yaumati Ferries, (old) $20½ n.
China Lights, $10.15 b.
China Lights, (new), $7 n.
H.K. Electric, $53½ sa.
Macao Electric, $20 n.
Sandakan Lights, $4¾ n.
Telephone (old), $24.70 b.
Telephone (new), $8.80 n.
China Buses, Sh. $11½ n.
Singapore Tractions, 20/- n.
Singapore Pref 26/- n.
Industrials
Malabon Sugars, $8.40 n.
Cald: Macg. (old), Sh. $19½ n
Cald: Macg. (Pref.), Sh. $15 n.
Canton Ices, $1¾ n.
Cement, $7.90 n.
H. K. Ropes, $4½ n.
Stores, &c.
Dairy Farm, $20 n.
Watson, $4.85 s.
Lane Crawfords, $6¾ n.
Mackintoshs, $5 n.
Sinceres, $2.20 n.
Wm. Powells, 70 cts. n.
Wing On (H.K.), $55 n.
Miscellaneous.
H.K. Entertainments, $4.70 b.
S. C. Enterprise $1.85 n.
Macao "Greyhounds," $2 n.
Constructions (old), $1¾ n.
Constructions (new), 50 cts. s.
Vibro Piling, $4 n.
Gh. Govt. 5% 1925 G. $ Bonds 94% n.
H. K. Govt. 4% Loan 4¼% prm. b.
H.K. Govt. 3½% Loan par. n.
Wallace Harpers $4 n.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 47th Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the offices of the Company, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, Hong Kong, on **Wednesday, the 18th day of March, 1936, at NOON,** for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1935.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Tuesday, the 10th March, 1936, to Wednesday, the 18th March, 1936, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
T. C. T. BECK,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 18th February, 1936.

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A wreath will be laid at the Cenotaph by the President and Committee of St. Patrick's Society of Hong Kong at 11.30 a.m.

By the kind permission of Lieut: Colonel R.M. Rodwell and officers, the Band of the 1st Battalion The Royal Ulster Rifles will be present and the "Last Post" and "Reveille" will be sounded by Buglers of the Regiment.

Members of the Society and their friends are asked to cooperate by assembling on the North side of the Supreme Court at 11.15 a.m.

B. H. C. HALLOWES,
Hon. Secretary.
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THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that INTEREST for the six months ending 31st MARCH, 1936, on the above DEBENTURES will be payable at the OFFICES of the COMPANY ON THAT DATE.

THE REGISTER OF DEBENTURES will be closed from MONDAY, the 23rd MARCH, to MONDAY, the 30th MARCH, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of DEBENTURES can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
O. EAGER,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 13th March, 1936.

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Office of the Company, 2, Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on **Monday, 30th March, 1936, at Noon,** for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1935.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 21st to 30th March, 1936, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
E. COCK,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 12th March, 1936.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.
Notice To Shareholders.

The Sixty-seventh Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on **Friday, the 27th March, 1936, at Noon,** for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1935.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 13th to the 27th March, 1936, both days inclusive.

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General Managers,
The Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 6th March, 1936.

NOTICE.
CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the THIRTY-NINTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held in the Jacobean Room, 1st floor, Hong Kong Hotel, Pedder Street, Hongkong on **FRIDAY, 27th MARCH, 1936, at 12.30 p.m.** for the purpose of Receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1935; Electing Directors and Auditors, and for the transaction of any other Ordinary business of the Company.

NOTICE is also hereby given that the Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, 17th MARCH, 1936, until FRIDAY, 27th MARCH, 1936, both days inclusive, during which period no transfers of Shares can be registered.

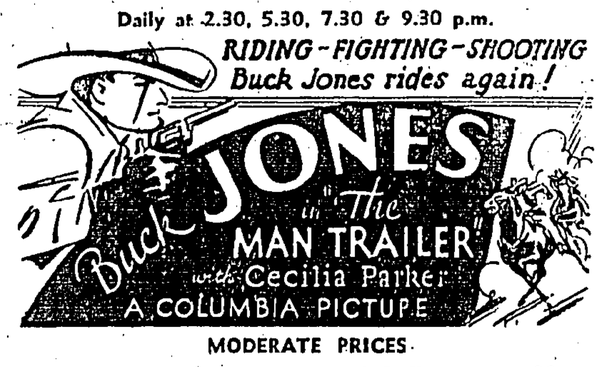
By Order of the Board,
D. L. KING,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 14th March, 1936.

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INWARD MAILS

Haiphong	Canton	March 16.
Calcutta and Straits	Kumsang	March 17.
Calcutta, Straits and Europe via Negapatam (Papers only) London, 13th February and Air Mail ex "Imperial Service" 29th February—and "K.L.M. Service" (Amsterdam 4th March).	Sirdhana	March 17.
Manila	Emp. of Asia	March 18.
Manila	Pres. Coolidge	March 18.
Java	Tjibadak	March 18.
Straits	Antilochus	March 19.
Straits	Bangalore	March 19.
Australia and Manila	Kamo Maru	March 19.
Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers) London, 20th February and London Parcels—London, 13th February and Air Mail ex "Imperial Service" London 3rd March and "K.L.M. Service" Amsterdam 7th March	Naldera	March 19.
Saigon	Aramis	March 20.
Japan and Shanghai	Corfu	March 20.
Haiphong	G.G. Paul Doumer	March 20.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan, and Shanghai (Seattle, 29th February)	Pres. Jackson	March 20.
Straits	Victoria	March 20.
Straits	Tokushima Maru	March 21.
Calcutta and Straits	Yuensang	March 21.
Straits	Tsushima Maru	March 22.
Straits	Automedon	March 23.
Japan	Montevideo Maru	March 23.
Shanghai	Ajax	March 24.
Japan	Noto Maru	March 24.
Shanghai	Pres. Doumer	March 24.

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time
Monday.		
Straits	Hongkheng	Mon., Mar. 16, 5 p.m.
Samshui and Wuchow	Kwong Hung	Mon., Mar. 16, 4 p.m.
Shanghai	Menestheus	Mon., Mar. 16, 5 p.m.
Tuesday.		
Manila, Makasser and Sourabaya	Tjinegara	Tues., Mar. 17, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haitan	Tues., Mar. 17, 3 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, *U.S.A., *C. and *S. America, *Canada and *Europe via San Francisco and *Europe via Siberia. (Due San Francisco, 10th April).	Taiyuan	Tues., Mar. 17 Reg., Mar. 17, 4.15 p.m. Letters, Mar. 17, 5 p.m.
Saigon	Helikon	Tues., Mar. 17, 5 p.m.
Wednesday		
Bangkok via Swatow	Kweiyang	Wed., Mar. 18, 1.30 p.m.
Haiphong	Canton	Wed., Mar. 18, 2 p.m.
Bangkok	Promise	Wed., Mar. 18, 3.30 p.m.
Amoy	Taiyuan	Wed., Mar. 18, 3.30 p.m.
Thursday.		
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Fukuken Maru	Fri., Mar. 19, 8.30 a.m.
*Japan and *Canada (Due Victoria B.C., 13th April).	Ixion	Thurs., Mar. 19, 9.30 a.m.
Shanghai, *Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. and S. America and *Europe via Vancouver, B.C., (Parcels for Canada only) and *Europe via Siberia (Due Vancouver B.C., 6th April).	Emp. of Asia	Thurs., Mar. 19, Parcels, Mar. 19, 3 p.m. Reg., Mar. 19, 4.15 p.m. Letters, Mar. 19, 5 p.m.
Friday.		
Shanghai	Victoria	Fri., Mar. 20, 9.30 a.m.
Japan	Kamo Maru	Fri., Mar. 20, 9.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan and *Europe via Siberia.	Naldera	Fri., Mar. 20, 10.30 a.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kwangtung	Fri., Mar. 20, 1 p.m.
Saturday.		
Letters for "Imperial Service"—due London, 3rd April.	Corfu	Sat., Mar. 21.
Letters for "K.L.M. Service"—due Amsterdam, 30th March.		
K. P. O. Reg., Mar. 21, 8.30 a.m. Letters, Mar. 21, 9 a.m.	G. P. O. Reg., Mar. 21, 9 a.m. Letters, Mar. 21, 9.30 a.m.	
Straits, Ceylon, India, E. and *S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles. (Due Marseilles, 17th April).	Corfu	Sat., Mar. 21.
K. P. O. Parcels, Mar. 20, 4.30 p.m. Reg., Mar. 21, 9 a.m. Letters, Mar. 21, 10 a.m.	G. P. O. Parcels, Mar. 20, 5 p.m. Reg., Mar. 21, 9.45 a.m. Letters, Mar. 21, 10.30 a.m.	
Amoy	Szechuen	Sat., Mar. 21, 3.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Jackson	Sat, Mar. 21, 4.30 p.m.
Sunday		
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Canton Maru	Sun., Mar. 22, 9 a.m.
Monday.		
Fort Bayard, Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	G. G. Paul Doumer	Mon., Mar. 23, 1 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa	Montevideo Maru	Mon., Mar. 23, 2.30 p.m.
Letters for "Imperial Service"—due London, 6th April.	Montevideo Maru	Mon., Mar. 23.
Letters for "Singapore Australia Service"—due Darwin, 31st March.		
K. P. O. Reg., Mar. 23, 12.30 p.m. Letters, Mar. 23, 1 p.m.	G. P. O. Reg., Mar. 23, 1 p.m. Letters, Mar. 23, 1.30 p.m.	
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Pres. Central and South America, Canada and *Europe via San Francisco and *Europe via Siberia (Due San Francisco, 10th April).	Coolidge	Mon., Mar. 23. Parcels, Mar. 23, 3 p.m. Reg., Mar. 23, 4.15 p.m. Letters, Mar. 23, 5 p.m.

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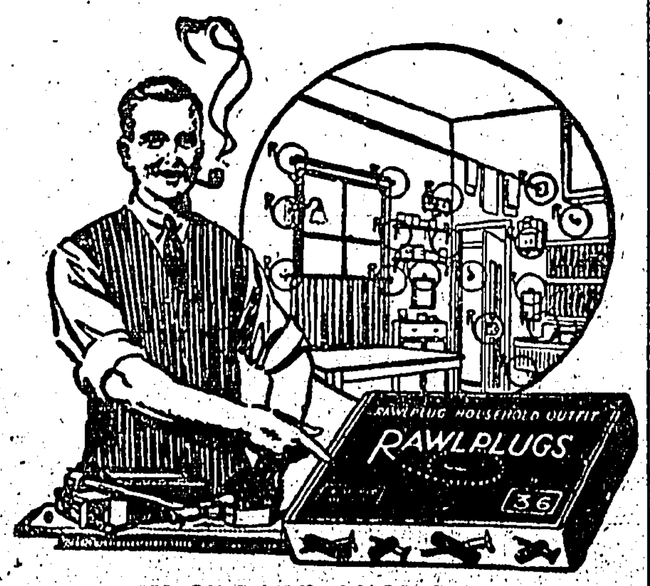
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GAOL FOR FALSE PRETENCES

Li Man, 20, unemployed, was sentenced to one month's hard labour and was ordered to pay $8 amends to Tsui Sai-fau, aged 13, boy, when he appeared before Mr. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, charged with stealing from the complainant a pair of jade ear-rings mounted with gold, by means of a false pretence. Defendant pleaded guilty.

Detective-Sergeant Ellis related that on March 13, defendant went to No. 65 Oak Street, ground floor, and saw a man named Chan Ming whom he knew, and asked him if he knew of any boy for a vacancy at the Peninsula Hotel. Just at that moment complainant appeared and told defendant that he would like the job.

Complainant and defendant then went outside the house and the latter asked for $4, but the boy did not have the money, so he went in to ask his grandmother for it. She did not have any money and in turn went to the boy's aunt from whom she obtained a pair of ear-rings for the boy to pawn in order to raise the money required.

Defendant and complainant went to a teahouse together and defendant asked the boy to let him have the ear-rings for safety. They were handed to him. Later he said that he wanted to telephone to his uncle and left the teahouse and did not return. On March 14, defendant was seen in a tea house at Shanghai Street by the man Chan Ming, who had him arrested.

Defendant told the police that he had taken the jade drops from the ear-rings and had had the gold melted down. When he was arrested he had $8 in his possession.

POLICE RESERVE

ORDERS FOR CURRENT WEEK

Orders by the Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Inspector General of Police, state:

Chinese Company

Training Course: Part II.—All recruits of the Chinese Company who have not yet passed Part II of Training Course will attend at the Chinese Company Headquarters on Tuesday, March 17th at 17.30 hours for instruction.

Indian Company

Strength.—Constable R220 A. R. Razack has been taken on the strength of the Indian Company, as from 12th March, 1936.

Training Course: Part II.—All recruits of the Indian Company will attend Indian Company Headquarters on Tuesday, March 17th at 17.30 hours for instruction.

Inspection Parade.—All ranks of the Indian Company will parade at Central Police Station on Wednesday, March 25th at 17.30 hours under Sub Inspector R. J. Hunt for a general inspection of equipment etc., by the Company Commander. Dress—Blue Uniform, Cap with White Cover, Belt with Brace, Truncheon, "Pocket Policeman" and note-book to be carried. The Equipment Officer will make a point of being present.

Flying Squad

Instructional Patrol.—The instructional patrol for members of the Flying Squad will take place on Friday, March 27th, 1936. Members will parade at Central Police Station at 17.30 hours. Dress—Blue Uniform, and Cap with White Cover.

Emergency Unit Reserve

Training Course: Part III.—Members of the Emergency Unit Reserve will attend Kennedy Road Range on Wednesday, March 18th at 17.15 hours to fire the Part III Revolver Course under Sub Inspector Hopkins.

D. L. KING,
D. S. P. (R).

HAPPY VALLEY STABBING

STORY OF UNREQUITED LOVE OUTLINED

SESSIONS TRIAL COMMENCES

A story of unrequited love, which led to the stabbing of a young widow, was told at the Criminal Sessions this morning when the trial of Lam Siu-fo, 25, on a charge of maliciously wounding, with intent to maim or disable, Siu Lai-chan, 23-year old widow, at Happy Valley on January 6, was commenced before Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell, Acting Chief Justice.

Mr. E. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney-General, was for the Crown, and the accused who pleaded "Not Guilty," was not legally represented. The jury comprised Messrs. T. F. Bradford (Foreman), N. Ellis, L. A. Martin, D. J. Noronha, R. A. Silva-Netto, E. O. Murphy and M. W. Barton.

Outlining the facts of the case, Mr. Williams said the complainant was a widow and lived at 6 Min Fat Street with her parents. Her mother was mistress of the Tong Fong tea house at 8 Sing Wo Road, where the complainant was the cashier. The accused was employed there as an assistant at a salary of one or two dollars a month. During his employment, the accused pestered the complainant with his attentions but she had always repulsed him.

About November last, to try to put him off, the complainant wrote the accused a letter laying down four conditions under which she would marry him. The accused did not reply to this.

On January 4 last, as a result of what her daughter had told her, the mother had a talk with the accused, asking him how he could expect to marry her daughter in his present position. The accused appeared to be pretty hard hit, and later in the day told the mother that he had better go away. The following morning at 8.30, he left.

Two days later, about 9 a.m., the complainant went to the Hongkong Sanatorium Hospital, formerly the Yeung Wo Nursing Home, for the purpose of attending a nursing examination. When she got there she found that she had forgotten her pen, and went back to 8 Sing Wo Road to get it. On her return she met accused, who followed her.

STABBING DESCRIBED

On the motor road leading up to the hospital, he accosted her and asked her whether she would marry him. Before she could reply he drew a knife from his pocket and stabbed her in the abdomen. She fell to the ground, and the accused then inflicted other wounds in her back, wrist and one in the leg below the kneecap. She lay on the ground for about a minute, and then got up and made her way to the hospital, calling out "Save life!" Before she got to the top of the road, she saw defendant lying on the ground. Both of them were treated at the hospital, after which they were taken to the Government Civil Hospital. Two knives were subsequently found near the scene of the incident.

The accused's story in regard to the incident was that he saw complainant walking along the road, and he asked her for the return of his letter. An argument ensued, and when near the entrance to the hospital, the complainant, who was slightly ahead of him, swung her arm behind her as far back as she could and stabbed him. He grabbed hold of complainant, swung her to the ground, and then stabbed her.

In reply to the charge at the Police Station, the accused made the following statement, "At the beginning of the 5th moon, she arranged with me to go up to town. On the upper deck of a tram she sent someone to strike me and wounded me on the head. I was then admitted into hospital. After being discharged from there, I intended to take out a summons against her but she asked me not to, saying that she would live together with me. She wrote four demands, (1) that I shall live together with her as husband and wife; (2) that I shall not beat her; (3) that I shall not marry another woman; and (4) that I shall sign my name in my own handwriting and not to retract my words.

MEDICAL EVIDENCE

The first witness called was Dr. R. S. Begbie, Assistant Government Bacteriologist, who testified to finding human blood present on two knives which he received from the Police.

Dr. I. Newton deposed to having treated both the complainant and the accused while he was Superintendent of the Government Civil Hospital. The woman, he said, had four stab wounds, one in the lower part of the abdomen, one at the back of the right chest, one in the right wrist and one in the right leg. The first two mentioned wounds might very easily have proved fatal. The patient's condition was so bad through shock and anaemia that it was considered inadvisable to operate. The next morning she was still suffering from shock, but owing to the protrusion of abdominal contents an operation had to be performed. She was discharged on February 4.

The accused was suffering from a stab wound in the abdomen. He appeared unconscious but his general condition was good. At 3 p.m. that day he showed signs of returning consciousness but was still drowsy. By evening he was normal. He was discharged on January 10. The wound might have been self-inflicted or caused by another person.

Dr. E. B. Ung, of the Hongkong Sanatorium Hospital, deposed to having treated both complainant and the accused and sent them to Government Civil Hospital.

The case is proceeding.

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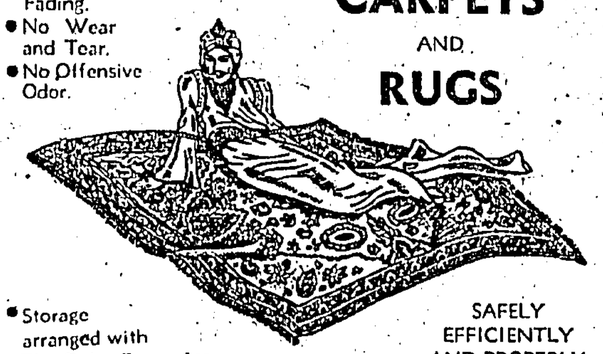
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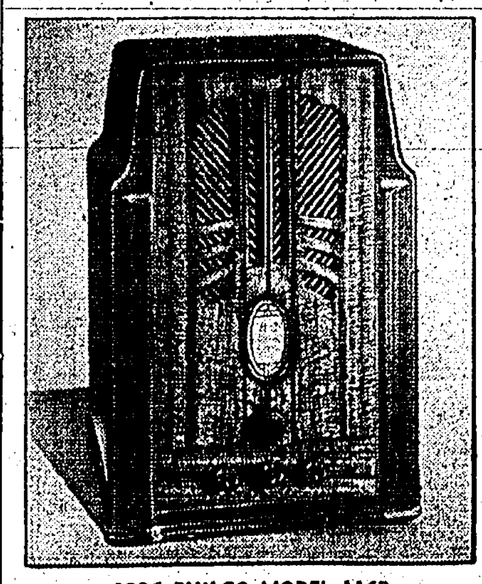
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EXAMINATIONS

An offshoot of the complaints which are being heard at Home regarding the lack of promise shown by many applicants for posts in the business world, especially young people, is the increasing tendency on the part of some business establishments to hold little examinations of their own. In this connection, we see it stated that employers are somewhat appalled at the ignorance of what they are pleased to call everyday facts which is shown by the applicants. There is, however, a point to be borne in mind, namely, that the self-appointed examiners have the advantage of being able to choose their own questions, and, on such a basis, most of us could no doubt be appalled at the ignorance of others. Admittedly, it is possible, by questioning and by the examination method, to gain some idea as to the likely aptitude of an applicant for a particular type of work, but it is worth asking whether the owner of a mind crammed with facts which may be of little use is always likely to make the ablest and most progressive worker. There are many capable people who have never aimed at carrying a large assortment of facts about with them—people who consider that energy, initiative and enterprise are much more important. There is, moreover, the type of person who knows where he can get the facts if and when wanted—and it is to be feared that many of the facts which examiners, in school or otherwise, seek to elicit are never really needed; they are often so much limber. Intelligence testing is a department of education for which many people show great enthusiasm, but it is well to remember that the human mind is not always amenable to yard-stick methods. Nor is the examination system a wholly trustworthy guide to the mental capacity or ability of young people. If examiners were infallible, it might be more nearly so, but evidence has shown that they are far from infallible, which is another way of saying that even examiners, despite appearances to the contrary, are human. That the examination system has its uses cannot be denied, but its importance and value can be over-stressed. This fact is becoming increasingly acknowledged, and, in particular, set examinations at stated intervals are getting into disfavour amongst educationists who have vision and who look beyond the immediate future.

NOTES OF THE DAY

THE "HAVE-NOTS"

Whether or not there is satisfaction with the result of the recent debate in the House of Commons on Mr. George Lansbury's motion urging the summoning of a new international conference to deal with such problems as access to raw materials, it is all to the good that the problem has been discussed. No one who has studied international affairs doubts that sooner or later the problem of the "haves" and "have-nots" must be courageously faced. Indeed, the only difference between the various political parties as revealed by the debate would appear to be the opportuneness of holding the conference at the present juncture. The principle of holding such a conference was not challenged. As is to be expected the problem is one that is exercising the attention of the nearly three thousand branches of the British League of Nations Union up and down the country. At the last General Council meeting of the Union, held in London in December, several resolutions dealing with this problem were brought forward by branches and these gave rise to a very lively discussion. It was agreed that the Executive Committee should undertake a study of the proposals brought forward and that the various resolutions should be considered by the General Council at a further meeting. As contribution to the study of the problem the Union has just published a pamphlet on The Demand for Colonies, Territorial Expansion, Over Population and Raw materials which is attracting considerable attention and is likely to form the basis of discussion in numerous study circles. This should stimulate the growth of an informed and enlightened public opinion in regard to a problem which unless solved may sooner or later plunge the world into war.

AFRICAN SCRAMBLE

THE Italians are speaking the truth when they tell us that they have come off badly in the present partition of Africa. Apart from the two sovereign independent African states of Abyssinia and Liberia, the whole continent is parcelled out to-day into the colonies, protectorates, mandated territories and self-governing dominions of six Powers—the British Commonwealth, France, Portugal, Belgium, Italy and Spain—and of all these African empires the Spanish alone is smaller and poorer than the Italian.

Italy's African empire consists of three widely separated territories. Nearest home there is Libya, which fronts on to the African coast of the Mediterranean immediately opposite Sicily and Malta.

Next comes Eritrea, at the south end of the African coast of the Red Sea. Finally there is Italian Somaliland, which starts at the "horn" of Africa and runs down the African coast of the Indian Ocean to the eastern frontier of our own Kenya Colony.

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BY far the greater part of all these three colonies is desert—or, at best, "a country with a very light soil," as Lord Salisbury once diplomatically described the French possessions in the Sahara. In fact, if one runs one's eye over the map, one can pick out only three small patches of Italian territory in Africa that have any appreciable value; and, of these, only two are at all suitable for settlement by European colonists.

A European population could certainly make itself at home on the plateau of Cyrenaica (the bulge on the coast of North Africa between Tripolitania and Egypt). Possibly Europeans could also acclimatise themselves on the highlands of North-Western Eritrea—though, as a matter of fact, the Italian population of Eritrea is only about 3,000 strong to-day, after the country has been in Italian hands for the best part of half a century.

The third valuable patch of Italian colonial territory in Africa is Jubaland, at the south-western end of Italian Somaliland. Jubaland is a low-lying tropical tract which is not suitable for European settlement; but it can at least produce cotton and other tropical or semi-tropical crops.



By Prof. A. J. TOYNBEE

It may be noted in passing that, before the war, Jubaland was part of British East Africa, and that it has been ceded by the British Empire to Italy in fulfilment of a promise which was made to Italy by the British and French Governments when Italy came into the war. We promised then that if, in the Peace Settlement, the British and French holdings in Africa were increased, we would give Italy an "equitable" share in the redistribution of African territory.

As it turned out, the former German colonies in Africa were assigned in the Peace Settlement, under mandates, to France, the United Kingdom, Belgium and the Union of South Africa; and the cession of Jubaland was the British contribution to the fulfilment of the Franco-British pledge.

France has also ceded some territory to Italy in the hinterland of Libya—a first instalment soon after the war and another instalment this year—but most of this ex-French territory consists of "very light soil."

The Italians do not feel particularly grateful for these crumbs from French and British tables; and they claim, not unreasonably, that a really "equitable" re-distribution would have assigned to Italy a much bigger share in the loot. For what, after all, are these scraps compared to the German colonies that have become French and British mandated territories? Already, before the war, the Italian empire in Africa was a poor thing compared to the British or the French. As a result of the Peace Settlement, the disproportion has become still greater.

Why is it that Italy has come off so badly in the "scramble for Africa" during the last half-century? It is hard to say; for the scramble did not begin till the eighteen-eighties, and by that time Italy had already achieved her political unity at home and had raised herself to the rank of a Great Power.

No doubt, when the scramble came, Great Britain, France, Portugal and Spain were in an advantageous position, because they already held a number of key points on the coasts of Africa and had merely to push their way into the interior, whereas Italy, Germany and Belgium had first to gain a foothold on the African coasts before they could begin to join in the competition. Yet Italy started on equal terms with Belgium and Germany; and while Germany has lost her African possessions as a result of the Great War, Italy has not only kept hers, but has slightly increased them, as we have seen.

Perhaps the main reason why Italy has come off badly in Africa is that, at the very start, she chose an unfortunate field for her African ambitions. She decided to swallow Abyssinia—and that was like trying to eat an African hedgehog, spines and all, when Italy's European rivals in Africa, all around, were making comfortable and satisfying meals off defenceless African rabbits.

Abyssinia was one of those countries—like Afghanistan in Asia—which had been prudently left alone by European empire-builders who were older hands than the Italians were at the game.

The British Government, for instance, sent an expeditionary force to Magdala, on the Abyssinian plateau, for a strictly limited purpose in the eighteen-sixties; but they were careful to withdraw again before they had pricked their fingers. For anyone who had eyes to see, it was clear that the Abyssinians—warlike highland people, living in a natural fortress and possessed of a certain modicum of civilisation—were not as other native Africans were, and that they were best left in peace to enjoy an independence which they know how to defend.

The Italians, however, were blind to this; and in the eighteen-eighties they conceived the ambition which Signor Mussolini is attempting, once again, to fulfil. They planned to conquer an East African empire extending from the Eritrean coast of the Red Sea to the Somali coast of the Indian Ocean, and including the whole of Abyssinia in between. This ambition was disastrously defeated by the Abyssinians when, at Adowa in 1896, they wiped out an invading Italian army, unaided.

Italy, in repeating her attempt to conquer Abyssinia, has thrown vastly stronger forces into action than she employed forty years ago. But Abyssinia, too, is stronger to-day than she was then, and she now has the League of Nations and the public opinion of the world behind her in her determination to resist aggression.

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TO sum up, we may frankly admit that, on a basis of "to each according to his need," Italy has a strong claim to receive a greater share of the European profits from Africa than she at present enjoys by comparison with the United Kingdom, France, Portugal and Belgium.

But, after saying this, there are two more things to be said.

First, Germany's claim on this basis is still stronger than Italy's; for Germany is a country with half as large a population again as Italy's, and Germany has been deprived of African colonies altogether.

In the second place, the attempt to conquer Abyssinia by force of arms is a piece of wickedness which, even if successful, will not give Italy the additional African resources that she wants.

SIDE GLANCES By George Clark



"I don't know what she can expect of you. You haven't even made those arrangements for her education."

Further Outlook Dull

The morning milk is chilly and
The wind is cold and shrill;
There's sixteen letters in the post
And every one's a bill.
And yet I hear a speckled thrush
A-shouting in a tree;
But what he finds to sing about
Is more than I can see.
The further outlook's dull and cold,
The sky is low and grey;
I've got the hump and feel exactly
Ninety-five to-day.
But on the lawn a snowdrop wags
Her little silver bell;
Though what she finds to bloom about
Is more than I can tell.
The world is just a murky mass
Of fog and slush and rain;
And Spring seems years away.
That's if
It ever comes again.
And life is flat and moulty and
There's not a single thing
That's fit to make a song about,
And so I shall not sing.

SHELLS THAT ARE EXPLODED BY A RAINDROP

NEW GERMAN GUN AGAINST HOSTILE AIRCRAFT

A NEW type of anti-aircraft gun which is fitted in the latest German warships is mounted in the Swedish warship, Gotland, which is on a visit to England.

This new anti-aircraft gun is a single-barrelled weapon, capable of firing high explosive shells of just under one inch calibre at a rate of 180 a minute.

The shells are so sensitive that they will explode if they pass through even one thickness of light aeroplane fabric.

Their sensitivity has, in fact, had to be reduced, for it was found that they were too sensitive for use in rainy weather, as contact with a raindrop was sufficient to cause detonation.

The guns are very light and are mounted upon free pivots so that they can be trained and elevated with great rapidity and without effort. The shells are fitted with "tracers," so that the guns' crews can handle their weapons much in the same way as a fireman handles a hose, spraying high explosive at attacking aircraft.

Ahead of Other Nations

The anti-aircraft defence of the Gotland consists of three of these guns and four quick-firing 3-inch anti-aircraft guns. Two of these are mounted singly, while two are mounted in a twin mounting. The whole of the anti-aircraft gunnery control is of a type designed by a famous German armament firm. It is claimed that this system of control is far in advance of anything produced by other nations.

If necessary this anti-aircraft armament can be supplemented to some extent by the main armament of six 6-inch guns, for all these guns can be elevated to 60 degrees.

It is difficult to place the Gotland in any of the categories recognised by naval Powers whose designs are dictated by Treaties. The Gotland has the tonnage, speed, and armament of a light cruiser, but she is also a seaplane carrier of no small capacity.

One's impression is that Sweden, untrammelled by Treaty limitations, has used her consequent freedom of design to great effect, and has produced a type of ship which would prove of tremendous value for purposes of defence, either of coasts or of trade routes.

The Gotland has a displacement of 4,630 tons, and her steam turbines give her a maximum speed of 27 knots. Her main armament consists of six 6-inch guns—the same number as is mounted in our Arethusa class cruisers of 5,200 tons. The 6-inch guns are mounted in two twin turrets on the centre line and two single gun casemates, one on each broadside, below the bridge.

Compressed Air Catapult

The whole of the after-part of the ship is devoted to her function as a seaplane carrier. Upon what might be termed the "poop deck," are three sets of rails upon which seaplanes are stowed. These rails are arranged so that they all lead to a central catapult operated by compressed air. The rails are extended ahead of the catapult to provide accommodation for extra machines if necessary. A total of 12 seaplanes can be accommodated. Those at present in use are Ospreys—the type carried by our cruisers.

A feature of the arrangement for stowing and handling these seaplanes is that, when stowed, they are mounted upon the carriages from which they can be catapulted. There is therefore no delay in lifting a machine from one carriage to another. During the acceptance trials of the ship it was found possible to get two machines into the air in just over one minute.

Below the "poop deck" is a large workshop in which repairs and adjustments to aircraft can be made. Below this again are mess-decks which accommodate the flying service personnel. The seaplane carrier part of the ship is therefore almost entirely self-contained.

Landing Device

On completion of a flight the seaplanes have to land on the water, and they are then hoisted on board by a crane at the extreme stern of the ship.

The landing of seaplanes when the weather is not calm, and their recovery by the crane, is facilitated by the use of a large canvas "apron." This is towed astern of the ship, and "smoothes out" the waves, thus giving a strip of calm water for the landing of the seaplanes.

The seaplanes "taxi" on to this "apron" and are hauled up to the crane and then hoisted on board. Thus the ship does not have to stop completely while embarking aircraft.

EXCHANGE

TO-DAY'S OPENING QUOTATIONS

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T.T. Shanghai	107
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T.T. France	4.83
T.T. Manila	64
T.T. Bangkok	143½
T.T. Saigon	48⅛
T.T. Lisbon	6395
	Buying
4 m/s. L/C	1/4⅛
4 b/s. D/P	1/4⅛
6 m/s. L/C	1/4⅛
4 m/s. San Frisco & New York	33½
4 m/s. France	5.10
New York—London	4.97⅛

BRITISH TRADE SOARING

HIGHEST FIGURE SINCE 1930

EFFECT OF SANCTIONS

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London, Mar. 15.

Figures for Great Britain's overseas trade for February show exports reached a total of £36,000,000, the highest for that month since 1930.

Imports totalled £62,750,000, and exceeded those of February, 1935, by £6,000,000. But they were nearly £8,000,000 less than those of the month previous, January of this year.

The effect of sanctions against Italy is shown both in the imports and exports list. For instance, the exports of coal to Italy amounted to only 15,000 tons in February, compared to over 300,000 tons in February, 1935.—*Reuter Special*

INDIAN GUARD SENTENCED

INDECENT ASSAULT ON GIRL

At the Central Magistracy this morning, Mr. W. Schofield delivered judgment convicting Sher Mohamed, an Indian guard, on a charge of having committed an indecent assault on a six-year-old girl, Lam Mui, on the third floor of No. 15 Landak Street, on January 22, sentenced defendant to twelve months' hard labour.

In his finding, Mr. Schofield said as it was a charge of indecent assault, consent at the time was immaterial. The chief witness for the prosecution was the mother of the little girl, and important evidence had also been given by a Chinese constable, C 168, regarding the scene on the premises when he arrived, and the mother's demeanour. Sergeant Fitches had also given evidence with regard to a statement made to him by the girl, and he (Mr. Schofield) inferred that the girl had some kind of story to tell.

There were three points in the case—either the girl was telling the truth, or she had invented the story, or else someone else had invented the story and taught her to tell it. He considered the second point was impossible, as a girl of her age could not have invented such a story. The third point was also ruled out owing to the question of time for the mother to have coached the girl. He was therefore driven to compare the mother's story with the story told by the defendant. Medical and bacteriological evidence of the crime were totally absent. Defendant alleged that the mother of the child was his mistress, which had been denied by two other Indian witnesses.

MOTHER'S STORY TRUE

After dealing with the evidence on this point, Mr. Schofield said he found that defendant's attack on the mother's character was uncorroborated, and appeared to have been made with the sole aim of discrediting the mother's story on certain points. Further, the absence of marks of violence on the girl, indicated, in his opinion, that there had been no attempt to rape her. The mother's statement formed a coherent and consistent story and was not contradicted, while the defendant's story was contradicted on many minor points. He therefore considered the mother's story was true and accordingly would convict the defendant.

Detective-Sergeant Fitches, who conducted the case for the prosecution, said he had been instructed by the Officer of the Guards to say that defendant's character was not good.

Mr. M. A. da Silva appeared on behalf of the defendant.

DEATH OF MR. C.E.L. GRIST

PASSES AFTER BRIEF ILLNESS

Widespread regret will be felt at the death, which occurred at the War Memorial Hospital in the early hours of this morning, of Mr. C. E. L. ("Peter") Grist, well-known lawyer of the firm of Wilkinson and Grist.

The deceased gentleman passed away after a brief illness from pneumonia, and the deepest sympathy will be felt for the widow in her heavy bereavement.

The funeral takes place to-day, passing the Monument at 5 p.m., and it is requested that no flowers be sent.

The late Mr. Grist was admitted solicitor at the Hongkong Supreme Court in January, 1928, and during his residence in the Colony he made a large circle of friends, by reason of his geniality and happy disposition. He was a son of Mr. E. J. Grist, who was admitted to practise in Hongkong as far back as 1891 and who resided in the Colony for many years before his retirement.

In admitting the late Mr. Grist to practise in Hongkong, the Chief Justice stated that his name was very well-known in the community, and he felt sure that the traditions associated with his name would be maintained by him.

IMPLEMENTS FOR COUNTERFEITING

CASE COMMENCED AT SESSIONS

The trial of Lo Ching and Wong Kan for possession of coining moulds and counterfeiting implements was commenced before Mr. Justice J. J. Hayden, Acting Puisne Judge, at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

Mr. J. B. Prentis, Assistant Crown Solicitor, appeared for the prosecution, and the accused were not legally represented. The jury comprised Messrs. R. Taylor (foreman), J. H. Howard, A. J. Brown, M. W. Scott, Wong King-sheung, J. J. Guterres and Seu Kon-chi.

According to Mr. Prentis, the accused were arrested on the first floor of Yu Chau Street, Shamshuipo, on the evening of January 31, in consequence of information received by the police. At the time of the raid, both accused were inside the rear cubicle and the moulds which bore imprints of the Hongkong dollar and ten-cent piece were found near them. There was also a charcoal stove with a ladle, containing metal, over it.

The case is proceeding.

BRITAIN BACKS FRANCE

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touches the very heart of the discord between the French and the British.

Britain Disappointed

Although inclined towards conciliation, it is expected that the Belgians will support the French in taking a strong line against Germany.

The German reply is regarded as disappointing in British circles, particularly as the British Government reinforced the Council's invitation to Germany by making a special appeal.

It is felt the position has deteriorated as a result of the reply and instead of the advance hoped for, matters are now back where they stood before the invitation was issued.

Difficulties are expected to arise with regard to Herr Hitler's second condition when the matter is considered by the League Council to-morrow. British quarters are of the opinion that there would not be any difficulty in accepting Germany's condition of equality and unanimity on this point would probably be reached.—*Reuter.*

LULL IN LONDON ACTIVITY

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a special invitation should be addressed to the German Government to take its part in the examination of the matter which has been brought before the League by the French and Belgian Governments, and it is understood that the British Ambassador in Berlin, Sir Eric Phipps, has informed the German Government of the great importance which the British Government attaches to acceptance of this invitation as facilitating difficult negotiations and as being an earnest of the desire for an amicable settlement.

News of the receipt of the German reply therefore has been eagerly awaited in London all day.—*British Wireless.*

PHILIPPINE GOLD MINING SHARES

Messrs. Benjamin & Potts have received the following buying and selling quotations from their Manila Agents this morning:

Benguet Consolidated	11.80	11.90
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Paracales	.36	.39
San Mauricios	.57	.59
I. X. L.'s	.75	.80
Masbates	.42	.43
Demonstrations	.36½	.37½
Big Wedges	.36½	.17

MORE DRIZZLE

The anticyclone has continued to move eastward, and is now centred over Kiusiu, South Japan. Local forecast:—East winds, fresh to moderate; cloudy, some drizzle or light rain.

RADIO BROADCAST

Relay of Funeral Service Of the Late Lord Beatty

Z.E.K. PROGRAMME

From Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 kilocycles):

5-7 p.m. Hongkong Hotel Dance Orchestra.

7-7.30 p.m. Light Opera and Musical Comedy.

Vocal Gems—Lily of Killarney; Selection—The Land of Smiles; Vocal Gems—Music in the Air; Selection—Seeing Stars.

7.30-8 p.m. From the Studio.

A Selection of Gypsy Melodies by "The Harmony Boys."

8 p.m. Time and Weather Report; Stock Quotations.

8.05-11 p.m. Chinese Studio Concert.

11 p.m. Close Down.

8.05-10 p.m. European Programme Broadcast from Z.E.K. on a frequency of 640 kilocycles.

8.05-8.10 p.m. "Elegie" (Massenet) sung by Beniamino Gigli (Tenor).

8.10-8.30 p.m. (Approx:) A Relay from Daventry.

A Relay of the Service at the Funeral of the late Admiral Lord Beatty from St. Paul's Cathedral, London.

8.30-8.47 p.m. A Violin Recital by Fritz Kreisler.

1. Thais—Meditation (Massenet); 2. Tambourin Chinois, Op. 3 (Kreisler); 3. Humoreske, Op. 101, No. 7 (Dvorak); 4. Caprice Viennois (Kreisler).

8.47-9 p.m. A Recital by Elsie Suddaby (Soprano).

1. Cradle Song (Schubert); 2. Faith in Spring (Schubert); 3. On Wings of Song (Mendelssohn); 4. The Prayer to our Lady (Ford).

9-9.15 p.m. Daventry News Bulletin.

9.15-9.32 p.m. Concert Waltzes.

A Thousand and One Nights (J. Strauss); Moonlight on the Alster (Fetrus); Siren of the Ball (Lehar).

9.32-10 p.m. Variety.

Songs—Moon for Sale; Thanks a Million....Robert Ashley (Tenor); Piano Medley....Gerry Moore; Songs—Me and My Dog ("Public Nuisance No. 1"); Swing ("Public Nuisance No. 1")....Frances Day; Fox-Trots—The Tea Doll's Parade; You were there ("To-night at 8.30"); Waltz—The Family Album ("To-night at 8.30").

10 p.m. Big Ben: Close Down.

DAVENTRY PROGRAMMES

The following wave-lengths and frequencies are observed by Daventry.

Call Sign	Frequency	Wavelength
GSA	6,050 k.c.	49.59 metres
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GSC	9,585 k.c.	31.30 metres
GSD	11,750 k.c.	25.53 metres
GSE	11,865 k.c.	25.28 metres
GSF	15,140 k.c.	19.82 metres
GSG	17,790 k.c.	16.86 metres
GSH	21,470 k.c.	13.97 metres
GSI	15,260 k.c.	19.66 metres
GSJ	21,540 k.c.	13.93 metres
GSL	6,110 k.c.	49.10 metres

Transmission 1

(G.S.N., G.S.B.)

2.15 p.m. Big Ben. Revue: "Oh! Those Bells!"

3 p.m. Prose Reading.

Greenwich Time Signal at 3.15 p.m.

3.15 p.m. A Howard Carr Programme. The Empire Orchestra.

4 p.m. The News.

4.20 p.m. Close down.

Transmission 2

(G.S.J., G.S.G.)

7 p.m. Big Ben. Reginald Porter-Brown, at the organ of the Regal Cinema, Torquay.

7.15 p.m. "Empire Cocktail."

Greenwich Time Signal at 8 p.m.

8 p.m. Prose Reading.

8.15 p.m. A Recital by Frederick Sharp (Baritone).

8.30 p.m. Sir Walford Davies: "Music and the Ordinary Listener: What about the Tune?"—5: "Dance Tunes."

9 p.m. The News.

9.20 p.m. A Programme of Gramophone Records.

9.45 p.m. Close down.

Transmission 3

(G.S.C., G.S.E.)

10 p.m. Big Ben. "How's That?" A variety entertainment compered by Ralph Ceram.

10.45 p.m. Sports Talk.

11 p.m. The B.B.C. Northern Ireland Orchestra.

12 a.m. Sonata Recital.

Greenwich Time Signal at 12.30 a.m.

12.30 a.m. The News.

12.50 a.m. Dance Music.

1 a.m. Close down.

HONGKONG GOLF CLUB

BOGEY POOL AND ADAMSON CUP

The Bogey (Pat Pool) competition over the New Course at Fanling during the week-end ended in a tie, R. H. McGregor, (8) and J. G. Cotesworth (17) finishing one down. McGregor, however won the Pool as he had the best score over the last nine holes. There were 14 entries.

D. S. Edwards with a card of 75-3-72 qualified for the Adamson Cup, March qualifying competition at Happy Valley.

"It appears that you have a very bad criminal record which goes back to 1929," said Mr. Justice Lindsell at the Criminal Sessions this morning when he passed a total sentence of five years' hard labour on Ip Kwong who pleaded guilty to charges of breach of the Deportation Ordinance and larceny. The accused was banished in September, 1934 for life and was arrested in January this year following the theft of two overcoats, valued at $75, from Mr. Massuke Mitahari.

Two unemployed men, Chan Hing and Ng Chan, were fined $50, in default six weeks' hard labour each, and ordered to be sent back to the country by Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy this morning, on admitting a charge of stealing 134 pieces of iron packing and five iron fish plates, property of the Hongkong Tramway Company, from Connaught Road. Sergeant Baldwin said the material had been stolen from Connaught Road near Whitty Street, where the tram line was under repair.

DAY BY DAY NEWS IN BRIEF

MISFORTUNE WHEN WE LOOK UPON IT WITH OUR EYES IS SMALLER THAN WHEN OUR IMAGINATION SINKS THE EVIL DOWN INTO THE RECESSES OF THE SOUL.—*Goethe.*

Admitted to the Kowloon Hospital yesterday suffering from multiple injuries as a result of an accident at the Green Island Cement Company, Lo Sang, a coolie, died about 6 p.m. The deceased received his injuries when a mill at which he was at work was started by another foki.

St. Patrick's Day, which falls to-morrow, will be observed by the Hongkong St. Patrick's Society by the laying of a wreath on the Cenotaph at 11.30 a.m. The band of the 1st Battn. Royal Ulster Rifles will be present, and the "Last Post" and "Reveille" will be sounded by the buglers of that Regiment.

An unusually large crowd eagerly awaited the arrival in Macao yesterday morning of the Kinshan from Hongkong, owing to the presence on board of Miss Anna May Wong, the celebrated film star. Miss Wong, accompanied by her sister, enjoyed the variety of diversion Macao has to offer to week-end excursionists from Hongkong.

Detective Sergeant T. Cashman and a party of police carried out a raid on the first floor of 10, Kau U Fong last night and arrested eleven Chinese for gambling at *sam kung*. Before Mr. Balfour at the Central Police Court this morning the keeper, Yip Kwun-luen, 58, unemployed, was fined $40, with the alternative of three weeks' hard labour. The remainder, who admitted gambling, were fined $4 each. Ninety cents, found in a tin box suspended from the electric light, was placed in the Poor Box.

The P. and O. liner Naldera is due here from Singapore with the English mails at 6 a.m. on Thursday.

On a charge of keeping a sly brothel at 12, Aberdeen Street, second floor, Li Yau-choi, 56, widow, was fined $35 by Mr. Balfour at the Central Police Court this morning.

When Lai Kau, 45, unemployed, was charged before Mr. Balfour at the Central Police Court this morning with the possession of a quantity of tree wood at Conduit Road, his wife, with babe in arms, was present in Court and pleaded for mercy. The man was bound over. Sub-Inspector Walsh prosecuted.

Heung Hung, 29, unemployed, was sentenced to a total of seven months' hard labour by Mr. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when he admitted the theft of a bundle of firewood belonging to Chan Cheung-yau, shopkeeper, and with returning from banishment. Defendant was banished for ten years in February, 1932. Inspector Ellis prosecuted.

For stealing two ash trays from the officers' mess, 8th Punjab Regiment, at No. 29 Cameron Road, yesterday, Choung Hung-chiu, 25, unemployed, was sentenced to one month's hard labour by Mr. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. Detective-Sergeant D. Davies said defendant, who was employed at the mess about two years ago, was seen by a European gentleman trying to hide the ash trays near a garage at Granville Road. The European gentleman arrested the defendant and handed him over to a constable. Defendant admitted a previous conviction.

UNDER INFLUENCE OF DRINK

LORRY DRIVER ADMITS GUILT

Appearing before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy this morning, on a charge of driving lorry No. 1301, in Gloucester Road last night, while under the influence of liquor, Lo Wah, driver, was fined $25, in default a month's hard labour.

Traffic Sergeant Blackburn said the case arose as a result of an accident. About 8.15 p.m. yesterday a young boy was riding a bicycle in Gloucester Road from west to east. The lorry, which was being driven in the same direction, collided with the rear of the bicycle. The boy was thrown off, but fortunately escaped injury, but the bicycle was damaged to the extent of $10. Sergeant Blackburn produced a certificate from Dr. Thomas, of the Government Civil Hospital, with regard to the state defendant was in.

Defendant admitted the charge, saying he had five cents' worth of Chinese wine with his meal.

ROOSEVELT VICTORY

Hamilton, Ga., Mar. 15.

President F. D. Roosevelt still leads Governor Talmadge in the presidential primary election fight in this state, with 1,387 votes to the latter's 35, according to the latest returns from Harris County, a Talmadge stronghold, it was thought.—*United Press.*

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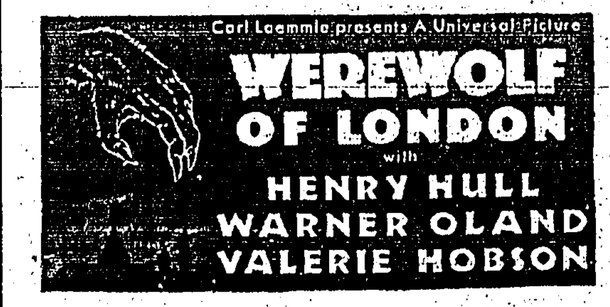
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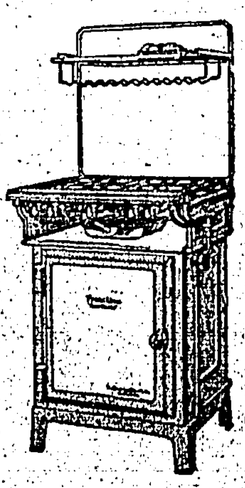


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LEAGUE OR CUP: WHICH IS MORE IMPORTANT?

S. China's Action Re-awakens Local Soccer Problem.

NEW WORLD RECORD

QUARTER-MILE MARK SET BY RAY ELLINWOOD

Chicago, Mar. 16.

A new world's indoor running record was established to-day when Ray Ellinwood of Chicago University did the quarter of a mile in 48 9-10 seconds.

The previous record was held by Alex Wilson the Canadian Olympic runner, who did the distance in 1932 in 49 3-10 seconds.—*Reuter.*

THE WEEK'S TENNIS

20 MATCHES IN CHAMPIONSHIP

FULL PROGRAMME

(By "Veritas")

If the programme is carried out to schedule no less than 42 matches in the open singles and doubles championship and Hongkong Cricket Club tournament events will be played on the nine courts at the H.K.C.C. this week. Of these 20 are open championship ties.

Everything, of course, depends on the weather. Last week the competitors and organisers snapped their fingers at the cold and dampness which prevailed every day and succeeded in playing off something like 97 per cent. of the matches arranged. The courts somewhat naturally suffered a bit, but not to any great extent, and if we can obtain some sun during the next day or two I think they will recover.

COURTS ARE DIFFICULT

On the whole they appear to be playing much more truer than in previous years and are, generally speaking, in fairly good condition. Though for the public the courts are ideally situated, the same cannot be said from the players' viewpoint. The Chater Road trees which hang over the lower courts often make things difficult for receiving service and lobs, while on the opposite side of the ground incessant noise of traffic—tramcars, hooters, buses and so forth do not contribute to the player's concentration on his game.

These are factors which may be borne in mind when players do not, perhaps, play so well as expected. It is not everybody who can shut out these disconcerting interferences. One cannot, of course, legislate against it, but it is worthy of recollection when one finds disappointment in a player's performance.

The public are behaving very much more orderly this year and as yet I have not seen any encroachment on court confines liable to distract either the players or the umpires. The organisers have appreciated the value of roping off most of the courts and the public are duly restraining their enthusiasm which hitherto has caused much inconvenience to the players, and justifiable annoyance to the organising committee.

After Tennis Kwok's surprise defeat of W. C. Hung and Lee Wai-tong's close call against F. R. Zimmern, the meeting of these two in the second round on Wednesday should provide the brightest and keenest match of the week.

LEE WAI-TONG'S TASK

Lee, who is still in the midst of football responsibilities, does not seem to be playing with the same power as last year and it is not impossible to regard Kwok as a winner in this tie. Kwok is first and last singles

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MACAO BEAT CANTON

IN FAST HOCKEY MATCH

(By Our Own Correspondent)

Macao, Mar. 15.

An exciting hockey match took place in Macao this afternoon when the Canton Hockey Club, captained by W. J. McLoughlin, engaged in a friendly tussle with the second team of the Macao Hockey Club, captained by A. Alrosa. The visitors were defeated by a score of 4 goals to nil.

Fast stickwork featured the play throughout and the home team was in splendid shooting form. During the first half three goals were scored but the visitors were very unfortunate in failing to score after a smart breakaway by their forwards.

Good positioning on the part of the local players was largely responsible for their victory. A. Ammann was splendid at the Canton goal and was applauded for several brilliant saves. G. P. Lammert, the old Hongkong Hockey Club player, was prominent in his new position at full-back in the Macao team.

F.A. MAY HAVE TO FACE ALTERNATIVES

(By "Veritas")

SOUTH China "A" are right in the news again. Won Senior Shield yesterday and suffered fourth league defeat on Saturday at hands of unpretentions Kowloon. Reason:—Turned out a team of reserves. But that's not all. Lost Wong Mee-shun because he couldn't keep his temper and had Tang Kwong-Wing warned. D. Knox and G. White of Kowloon also earned frowns and admonition of the referee. Was it a pleasant game? Hardly. Just as everybody was beginning to pat himself on the back that Hongkong football had become a game fit for angels to play, these fellows go and ruin it all.

THERE'S another interesting angle about this match which may demand the attention of the Football Association. Of South China "A's" regular team only five played against Kowloon. Sole reason was that on the following day the team was due to appear in the Senior Shield final. Memory tells me that a Northern club did the same thing in an English League match a few days before an F. A. Cup tie and that the Home association put its foot down very severely. Fined the club heavily and issued a proclamation that such behaviour would not be tolerated.

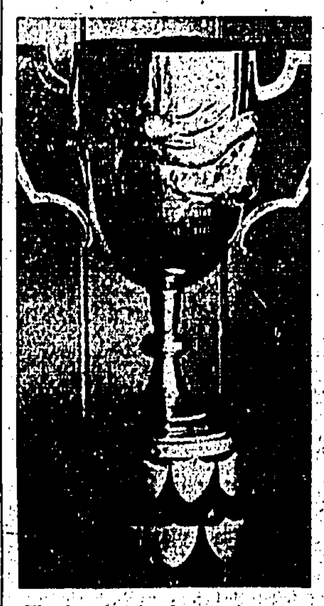


Composite picture of the Lai Wah Cup surmounted by Governor's Cup and Senior Shield.

THERE'S no local ruling in existence, but this may prompt the Hongkong F.A. to consider creating one. The circumstances show that South China have a presentable defence in this particular case, but on a point of principle there would seem to be room for an official edict to govern the future.

IT is hardly likely, in fact it is not desirable, that the F.A. should make an example of South China in this instance because the Caroline Hill team have extenuating circumstances which outweigh other considerations. But the principle remains and as it is one which should be preserved Football Association will do well to pay some attention to the subject between now and next season.

SATURDAY'S example raises once again that old question of the relative importance of League matches and cup ties. Many are prepared to argue that competitions such as the Lai Wah Cup, International Charity Cup, the Shields etc. should take precedence over league engagements to the extent that when a team is engaged in important knock-out competition games it should have the privilege of postponing league fixtures. The argument is difficult to sustain. The primary football competition organised by the F.A. is the league. All other tournaments are extraneous. Whether they are successful and are perpetuated is due to the support of the clubs. But that support is given in the knowledge that league obligations remain in full. The clubs' first obligation is to fulfil league fixtures. If, because of other engagements, they cannot do this, or demand preferential treatment, the logical procedure is to do away with the competitions which are disorgansing the league programme.



The first division league championship trophy.

BUT while it is true that the clubs have obligations to the Football Association which must be met, it is also well to bear in mind that the Association owes it to the clubs to meet them halfway and devise means of helping the clubs to fulfil these obligations. The existence of so many competitions is not the sole reason why our annual soccer programme is too heavy. The league divisions are too big. We have fourteen teams in each of the first and second divisions and eleven in the third division. Thus in two divisions teams have a programme of 26 matches each.

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ARE WE DOWNHEARTED?—Not judging by this picture taken during the presentation yesterday of the Senior Shield and runners-up cup, which shows Police team and supporters cheering the winners. (Photo Mee Cheung).

South China Wins Senior Shield In Handsome Style

S. China "A" ..2 Police ..1

S. China "A":—Wong Wing-i, Li Tin-sang and Lau Mau; Lau Hing-chol, Leung Wing-chui and Lee Kwok-wai; Tso Kwai-shing, Fung King-cheung, Lee Wai-tong, Ip Pak-wa and Tay Qua-liang.

Police:—McHardy; Blackburn and C. Pile; North, Gough and Parker; T. Pile, Stevens, Johnson, Brooks, and Brittain.

Making the mistake of delaying my arrival at the Club ground for the Shield final yesterday until half an hour before the kick-off I found myself compelled to join in a struggling mass of humanity who were futily waving admission tickets and endeavouring to rush the gates. The magical word "Press" gained admittance after two would-be spectators had been severely trodden upon and another had nearly dislocated his collar-bone. And they make headlines about the war in Ethiopia!

In the ground, of course, all available seating accomodation, including the press box, had been filled and I became numbered among the several hundreds of spectators who thronged the touchlines. There I discovered after trying a dozen different ways of sitting down, and twice having my hands crushed by heavy feet, that the best way of sitting on the ground to watch a football match was to stand up.

POSTURE AMENITIES

From various positions which entailed neck strain, eye strain, ankle tapping and the other amenities which go with an overcrowded football ground I saw South China "A" beat Police by the odd goal in three. But chief impressions of the game were derived from an enthusiastic spectator nearby who gave a running commentary in half Chinese, half English: from this I understood that Tay Qua-liang at outside left deserved the Victoria Cross, that Fung King-cheung was worthy of a medal not yet struck; in fact the whole Chinese were a heaven-sent team.

From my obscured viewpoint there appeared to be quite a modicum of truth in this. It was the Chinese who raised the standard of play to a level in keeping with the importance of the occasion. Their fast, businesslike methods stood out in bold relief to the drab, half-hearted, inconsequential play of the Police, and the only surprise about the result was the narrow margin of goals.

South China did not require the customary ten minutes to settle down. They found their form straight away and assumed such a determined offensive that Police were forced into a desperate type of football which influenced their work for the rest of the match.

Playing with masterly co-ordination the Chinese dominated the exchanges. The smart tackling of the half backs disorganised the Police attacking machine from the very first, while the winners' forward line made such clever use of the ball that they seldom failed to carry their raids into the penalty area.

There was not a weakness in the South China team. The introduction of Lau Hing-chol at right half and the transference of Leung Wing-chiu to centre-half infused a new sparkle in the intermediate line and the consummate skill in which they played their dual role as attackers and defenders had an enormous influence in the trend of the game.

BRILLIANTLY SCHEMING

Fung King-cheung's twinkling feet and fine football brain created most of the openings for a lively attack. Lee Wai-tong was comparatively subdued because Gough did nothing else but stick to him. South China's reply was to give the ball to Fung and Ip Pak-wa who rarely failed to make good use of it. Tay Qua-liang was another fine performer, but Tso Kwai-shing was somewhat below the level of his colleagues.

Behind this brilliantly scheming forward line, Lau Hing-chol, Leung Wing-chui and Lee Kwok-wai gave faultless performances and rendered easy the task of Li Tin-sang and Tam Kong-pak. Li found the occasion suitable to give one of his best displays of the season and Tam Kong-pak redeemed a few kicking errors by his superb headwork and intelligent positioning.

Police, thrown out of gear from the opening rally, failed entirely to capture that form which has made them one of the most prominent of teams during the current season. But for the tireless work of the defence they would have lost by a very big margin. McHardy, Chris Pile and Blackburn saved them from being routed, and it was decidedly hard luck for Blackburn that he should have been the direct cause for the winners' second goal.

Gough concentrated solely on Lee Wai-tong—quite commendable tactics, but he failed to support this by any constructive effort on behalf of the forwards. North and Parker, the wing halves, were also inadequate for the occasion. They rarely took the ball up the field to initiate an attack and were only notable for their defensive qualities.

ONLY JOHNSON

Police were unfortunate to be deprived of the services of Moss on the left wing. It did nothing to improve the attack. Brittain was too slow and Lau Hing-chol had full measure of him. Johnson alone seemed capable of proving superior to the Chinese rearguard but he was badly

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DESCRIBED BY "VERITAS"

JUNIOR SHIELD

WELL WON AGAIN BY THE R.E.

Royal Engineers thoroughly deserved the distinction of winning the Junior Shield for the second year in succession when on the Club ground yesterday they beat East Lancashires in the final by three goals to one.

Superior in every branch and revealing excellent football craft they forced East Lancashires on the defensive for three parts of the game.

They were wonderfully well served by an enterprising forward line of whom Howlett was the chief brains. Darby was a thrustful leader though he was severely marked. The half backs were infinitely better than the East Lancashires trio who did not work so harmoniously with their forwards.

Boyling was a very fine pivot and behind him Slack, Colman and Sellek easily held the opposition forwards in check.

East Lancashires would have been more heavily defeated if Harwood and Ball had not been on tip-top form in defence. They repeatedly checked the Sappers' keen attacks and were among the best performers on view.

East Lancashires suffered from inferior team work. The attack was seldom together and lacked thrust and initiative. Half backs were also inclined to concentrate on defence and did not keep up sufficiently with their raiders.

Although Royal Engineers were constantly on the attack they did not open the scoring until a few minutes before the interval when Darby seized an opening and crashed home a fierce drive.

Howlett, playing grandly, obtained a second shortly after the restart and added another five minutes later. Although well beaten East Lancashires continued to play hard and were rewarded when Swain scored a few minutes from the end.

F. A. INQUIRY INTO THORPE'S DEATH

The Football Association has appointed a commission consisting of Sir Charles Clegg, Mr. W. Pickford and Mr. J. McKenna to inquire into the conduct of the Sunderland v. Chelsea match on Feb. 1.

At the inquest the jury found the death was due to diabetes, accelerated by the rough usage he received in the game, and that the referee was very lax in the control.

They added a rider, "We urge the Board of Management of the Football Association to instruct all referees that they must exercise stricter control over the players so as to eliminate as far as possible any future accidents."

The verdict aroused a storm of criticism among League referees, especially as the referee at the Sunderland match was not called to give evidence, and has so far had no opportunity of describing incidents in the game as he saw them.

The importance which the F.A. attach to the question is indicated by the personnel of the Commission. Sir Charles Clegg is the President of the F.A., Mr. Pickford is a vice-president, and Mr. McKenna is a vice-president of the F.A. and president of the Football League.

It is understood that, in addition to the referee's report, the F.A. have asked the Sunderland and Chelsea clubs to submit statements by their officials on the conducts of the match, and particularly the episode in which Thorpe was alleged to have been kicked during a scrimmage in the goal-mouth.

Our Daily Golf Hint

The right shoulder must not come round too soon in the downward swing, but must go fairly well forward after the ball is hit.

—*James Braid.*

HEAVY BADMINTON PROGRAMME

MANY MATCHES THIS WEEK

(By "Veritas")

Men's doubles badminton league matches are named for four days this week, there being two to-night, two on Tuesday, three on Wednesday and two on Thursday.

Eliot Hall "A" and "B" teams have to play several matches, the seniors being at home this evening to Chinese Recreation Club and at home to Kowloon Tong on Wednesday. Kowloon Tong though, I understand, have decided to concede the points.

Recreio "B" entertain Eliot Hall "B" this evening, but I cannot see them beating the Varsity players. On Thursday Recreio "A" have an important match when they visit Eliot Hall to meet the "B" combination.

The mixed doubles programme is now drawing to a close and there are two important games down for decision on Friday. Fire Brigade have to visit St. John's and Recreio "A" receive Chinese Recreation Club. The outcome of these two games may have a big bearing on the championship.

To-morrow Recreio "A" should win the ladies' doubles championship when they entertain Fire Brigade, who have not yet won a game this season.

The complete programme for the week follows:

MEN'S DOUBLES

THIS EVENING

Eliot Hall "A" v. Chinese R.C.
Recreio "B" v. Eliot Hall "B."

TUESDAY

Chinese R.C. v. S. and S. Home.
V.R.C. v. Eliot Hall "B."

WEDNESDAY

Eliot Hall "A" v. Kowloon Tong.
Recreio "B" v. Fire Brigade.
St. Andrew's "B" v. Recreio "A."

THURSDAY

St. John's v. St. Andrew's "A."
Eliot Hall "B" v. Recreio "A."

MIXED DOUBLES

FRIDAY

St. John's v. Fire Brigade.
Recreio "A" v. Chinese R.C.
St. Andrew's v. Recreio "B."
S. and S. Home v. Taikoo.

LADIES DOUBLES

TUESDAY

Recreio "A" v. Fire Brigade.

Big Mixed Doubles Match To-night

A re-arranged mixed doubles badminton match of great importance is to be played this evening, when at Central Police Headquarters Fire Brigade meet Recreio "A" in their return engagement. The result may well determine the championship. If Recreio win they will be firm favourites for the title as they play Chinese Recreation Club at home on Friday next and are almost certain to win. Fire Brigade's hopes of retaining any interest in the championship rest on winning this evening's encounter.

BASEBALL—1ST ROUND

—BRITAIN WINS

A big scheme to introduce American baseball to Britain is afoot.

Huge sums are to be spent to popularise the game under floodlights in London, Manchester, Birmingham and Leeds.

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Large sums will be spent in importing American and Canadian players.

SEASON OF EXCITING GOLF TOURNAMENTS

THE WEEK'S TENNIS: TWENTY CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHES

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player, and a very good one at that. I doubt if Lee can afford to let slip the first set as he did against Zimmern. On his record the interporter should win, but he faces a useful opponent and one who is capable of making fullest use of the slightest advantage.

This week's complete programme follows.

TO DAY

Open Singles (Second Round)
D. Macdougall v F. H. Kwok.
Tsui Wai-pui v S. W. Liang.
P. Scoones v R. Blyth.
R. Choa v Lt.-Comdr. Conway (1st round).
Open Doubles (First Round)
J. A. Bendall and I. Agaturoff v H. D. and S. A. Rumjahn (holders).
T. A. Pearce and L. Goldman v Iu Tak-cheuk and Iu Tak-lam (2nd Round).
Club Championship
T. C. Monaghan v P. F. McCabe (2nd Round).
A. L. Sullivan v H. Owen Hughes (2nd Round).
R. Henry v E. Bathurst.

TUESDAY

Open Singles (Second Round)
A. E. F. Guest v Lee Hun-ngok (1st Round).
H. D. Rumjahn v Lok Chun-cheong.
T. A. Pearce v P. Kong.
Open Doubles (First Round)
P. Scoones and A. L. Sullivan v J. W. Leonard and Y. Hachiuma.
Club Handicap Singles (1st Round)
W. W. McKenzie (+1/6) v G. E. R. Divett (—4/6).
T. J. Price (scr.) v E. R. Child (+2/6).
Lt.-Comdr. R. F. Stapleton (scr.) v R. M. Wood (+2/6).
G. W. Fewell (—15) v C. C. Stark (scr.).
J. P. C. Smalley (—4/6) v E. R. Price (scr.).

WEDNESDAY

Open Singles (Second Round)
Lee Wai-tong v Tennie Kwok.
S. A. Gray v Leung Ping-chiu.
K. T. Kwik v Iu Tak-cheuk.
Open Doubles (First Round)
J. C. Poole and R. Henry v G. Lai and G. Chang.
G. E. R. Divett and R. O'M. Deane v M. K. and M. W. Lo.
P. F. McCabe and D. Carey v A. V. Gosano and A. V. Remedios.
M. Pagh and Lt.-Comdr. Conway v A. W. Ramsay and G. C. Burnett.
Club Championship (First Round)
V. R. Gordon v A. D. Humphreys
Lt.-Comdr. Stapleton v Capt. Cragg.

THURSDAY

Open Singles (First Round)
Capt. J. D. Milne v A. V. Gosano.
Open Doubles (First Round)
E. Bathurst and A. T. Lay v P. Kong and Lai Kwong-taun.
Club Handicap Singles (1st Round)
A. C. I. Bowker (scr.) v G. S. Gamble (—2/6).
A. K. Mackenzie (scr.) v Capt. Cragg (—15).
L. G. Robertson (scr.) v W. Wooding (+2/6).
Club Handicap Doubles (1st Round)
R. Henry and D. A. O'Kieffe (+1/6) v E. R. and T. J. Price (—2/6).
J. N. Grace and J. Smalley (—4/6) v J. and G. Rolger (—4/6).
J. E. Richardson and E. F. Buttress (+2/6) v W. W. McKenzie and D. S. Robb (+2/6).

FRIDAY

Open Singles (Second Round)
Lai Kwong-taun v M. W. Lo.
Club Championship (First Round)
L. Goldman v H. O'M. Deane.
Club Handicap Singles (1st Round)
M. Pagh (—15.2) v R. Henry (+2/6).
Club Handicap Doubles (1st Round)
C. C. Stark and F. A. Joseph (—2/6) v T. C. Monaghan and E. J. McMullen (—8/6) (Second Round).
V. R. Gordon and A. H. Penn (+1/6) v H. R. Butters and D. Macdougall (—4/6).
A. C. I. Bowker and A. K. Mackenzie (scr.) v G. Marseille and P. F. McCabe (—2/6).
H. R. McGilchrist and H. L. Tudor (+1/6) v A. Bremner and A. Drummond (+4/6).

LIGHT BLUES WIN

Varsity Athletics At White City

London, Mar 14.

Cambridge beat Oxford by eight events to three in the Inter-Varsity Athletic meeting held at the White City to-day.

Fine weather favoured the meeting, which was watched by a large crowd of spectators, who saw the existing putting-the-weight record being bettered by Irfan, the Turkish student at Cambridge.

The winners were:

Pole Vault.—Webster (Cambridge), 12 feet, 4 inches.

100 Yards.—Pennington (Oxford), 10.1/5 seconds.

Half Mile.—Sullivan (Cambridge), 1 min. 57 secs.

Putting-the-weight.—Irfan (Cambridge), 45 ft. 9½ ins. (Inter-varsity record).

120 Yards Hurdles.—Fitzgerald (Cambridge), 15.4/5 secs.

High Jump.—Kennedy (Cambridge), 5 ft. 10 ins.

Long Jump.—Horsfall (Cambridge), 22 ft. 6.3/4 ins.

Three Miles.—McIntyre (Oxford), 14 mins. 37.3/5 secs.

One Mile.—Ellis (Cambridge), 4 mins. 22 secs.

220 Yards Low Hurdles.—Daniell (Oxford), 26 secs.

Quarter Mile.—Brown (Cambridge), 49.1/5 secs.—*Reuter.*

FOUR EVENTS OF BIG IMPORTANCE

STRIKING PERSONALITIES WILL BE ON VIEW

The issue by the Joint Advisory Council of the English, Scottish, Welsh, and Irish Unions of the list of fixtures is a reminder to golfers that the present year gives promise of events as interesting and as exciting as at any period since the game made world-wide appeal and developed the spirit of rivalry among nations. In an unending procession of championships and tournaments of every conceivable description, including special competitions for left-handed and one-arm players, four events stand out from the rest.

One is the amateur championship at St. Andrew's, in the last week in May, when it is expected that the all-conquering Lawson Little will attempt to create a record by winning for the third time in succession. Another is the visit of an American women's team, led by that great player Mrs. Glenna Collett Vare, who will meet Great Britain in the Curtis Cup match at Gleneagles on May 6.

A week later, on the Southport and Ainsdale course, the American players will challenge for the British Women's championship. This will be Mrs. Vare's fifth bid for a title that has never yet been won by an American. The third event of importance is the British Open championship at Hoylake, in the week beginning June 22, when Cotton, Padgham, Alliss, and Charles Whitcombe among the home contingent, and a select company of American professionals will attempt to wrest the title from that dashing and courageous little fellow, A. Perry.

THE MOST INTERESTING EVENT

The fourth event is the Walker Cup match between British and American amateur teams at the famous Pine Valley course, on September 2 and 3. Britain has never succeeded in winning the match, and there seems little prospect of her doing so on this occasion. Even so, the event is probably the most interesting of any in the year's calendar, and speculation is already rife concerning the composition of the British team.

That it will be vastly different from the one that suffered so crushing a defeat in the last contest at St. Andrew's is certain. In any case, there will be one newcomer in Hector Thomson, a young Scotsman of twenty-two, who is one of the best, if not the best of amateurs in Britain. Indeed, events may so shape themselves that he may turn out to be the actual leader of the team—a signal honour for a player of his age.

With McLean also a certainty, it would seem that Scotland will have a strong representation in the side, among the probables being Eric McRuvie, of Leven, and R. S. Walker, of Aberdeen University, who, by hard work, unbounded enthusiasm and concentration, has made himself into a first-class player. While much valuable information as regards likely candidates for the British team will be obtained from the international championship between England, Ireland, Scotland, and Wales, in July, some players will be chosen who do not usually take part in this four-cornered contest.

STOREY'S REMARKABLE SCORES

One will probably be E. F. Storey, who, at the moment, is playing as well as anyone in the country. In recent rounds at Swinley Forest, and elsewhere, he has accomplished some remarkable scores in the 60s. Storey has thrice played in the match against America, the last occasion being in 1929, at Chicago. His one success was against Roland Mackenzie, now a professional, whom he beat 2 and 1. A player who will, undoubtedly, be invited is Wethered, but whether he will accept is another matter. His only visit was in 1922, when Jones beat him 3 and 2.

If Lucas returns to the form displayed before the accident to his wrist he will assuredly be one of the new players. It would be idle, however, to speculate further as to who might be chosen until the championships and international matches have thrown fresh light on the material available. The primary and final test for inclusion in the team is the Amateur championship. This event will afford Little the opportunity of achieving an unparalleled feat.

After winning at St. Annes last year the champion gave the impression that he could not possibly defend his title this year, but circumstances have entirely altered the situation. Firstly, he again won the American championship, and, secondly, probably the more important factor, his financial position has been clarified. From a 'varsity student he is now earning an excellent living as a specialist writer for one of the big American syndicates.

LAWSON LITTLE MARRIED

Little was married the other day to Miss Dorothy Hurd, of Chicago, and a belief exists that a part of the honeymoon may be spent in this country. There could be no more fascinating prospect than a meeting between Thomson, the tall, slim Scottish youth and Little, who tramples ruthlessly on his victims. Even this giant American would have found it difficult successfully to live up to the standard of golf produced by Thomson in winning the Scottish and Irish championships from McLean.

With regard to the women's championship, most people will be glad that the ruling body has turned down the proposal that it should be made an open event so that women professionals and others whose commercial activities not unconnected with the game debar them from playing in certain amateur competitions could be included. It is urged that to debar such people is nothing less than snobbery.

Be that as it may, not only is such a championship not wanted, but it is doubtful whether any of the half dozen players affected would take the trouble to play in it. After their experience in the United States and Canada, last year, British women cannot be very confident as to the outcome of either the Curtis Cup match or the championship unless another Diana Fishwick come to the rescue.

A GAMBLE

Because the interval between the U.S. Open and the British Open is only a fortnight, the American entry at Hoylake may be restricted. As there will be barely a week in which to practise and become acclimatised, some of the American players may not think it worth the gamble. However, there is the possibility that we shall again see Henry Picard, who made a promising debut at Muirfield, last year, and also our old friends Hagen and Sarazen.

The situation has changed since Cotton broke the American domination two years ago, and Perry crashed his way to victory last year. As a result of these welcome triumphs there is not a British professional of note who does not think himself capable of beating any American. Optimism now reigns where pessimism ruled for a dozen years. The point of interest is whether Cotton, who is training seriously for the championship, will be the man again to put the spoke in the American wheel.

H. COLES RETIRES

Amateur Billiards Title Holder

At the early age of 38 Horace Coles, the Newport (Mon.) bank clerk, who holds the amateur billiards championship of England, has decided to retire from the game. He has written to the Billiards Association and Control Council withdrawing his entry for this year's championship.

"You will, no doubt, be surprised," writes Coles. "When I tell you that I have decided to give up the game for private reasons. I must withdraw my entry for the championship, and shall never play in it again."

Coles, who won the Welsh championship four times and played for both Wales and England in the British Empire tournament, holds several records. In 1933 he made the highest championship break—363—in a match against F. Edwards (Stourbridge), and in 1929, when he beat Sidney Lee to win the title for the first time, he had a record average of 24.5. Other records of Coles' are: Two breaks of over 200 each in one session, and scoring 3,000 points in three consecutive sessions.

League Or Cup? Which Is More Important?

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THE alternative, which is one adopted by a large number of similar leagues in England is to divide these out-size divisions into sections, with the championship resting on a sectional final. There are arguments for and against such a constitution, but if the Football Association and clubs are convinced, as they should be by now, that in its present state the season is too long and the fixture list too cumbersome, then an alternative system is demanded. The choice appears to be between two things. Either to retain the league in its present form and to abandon one or more of the knock-out competitions, or to cut down the league fixtures. The only way to accomplish this is by splitting the divisions into sections.

SOUTH CHINA WINS SENIOR SHIELD

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neglected by his colleagues, and not once could he obtain that type of pass from which he has scored most of his goals.

The right wing was a complete failure. Pile was starved and Stevens could do nothing with the ball. Brooks worked like a nigger but it was all negative sort of stuff and he was never up with the forwards when most needed.

South China made all the running and should have been at least three goals to the good before half time. They did obtain a lead halfway through when Ip Pak-wa completed a dazzling movement by passing McHardy with an equally dazzling shot made on the turn. During this half Police were never in the picture except as gallant defenders.

They made a sad start to the second half when Blackburn mis-kicked and let Fung King-cheung through to lob over McHardy's head, but within a few minutes they had recovered ground, Tommy Pile converting a penalty given against Tam Kong-pak for pushing. Just for a brief moment it seemed that the Police might derive inspiration from this success, but after Johnson had made a determined but unsuccessful effort to beat Wong Wing the play switched back again and it was all South China until the end.

This makes the third trophy Chinese have won this season, having annexed the Governor's Cup, Lai Wah Cup and Senior Shield. The league championship and International Charity Cup are still their's for the winning.

CRICKET TOURISTS

Australians Meeting Western Province

Cape Town, Mar. 14.

The Australian cricket tourists in South Africa to-day began an extra three-day match with Western Province in warm weather and on a perfect wicket. A crowd of 3,000 spectators witnessed the commencement of the match.

Batting first, Western Province were dismissed for 198 runs, A. D. Nourse, Sr., scoring 55 of the total.

W. J. O'Reilly was again in great form with the ball and captured six for 35.

The Australians had scored 37 without loss when stumps were drawn. —*Reuter.*

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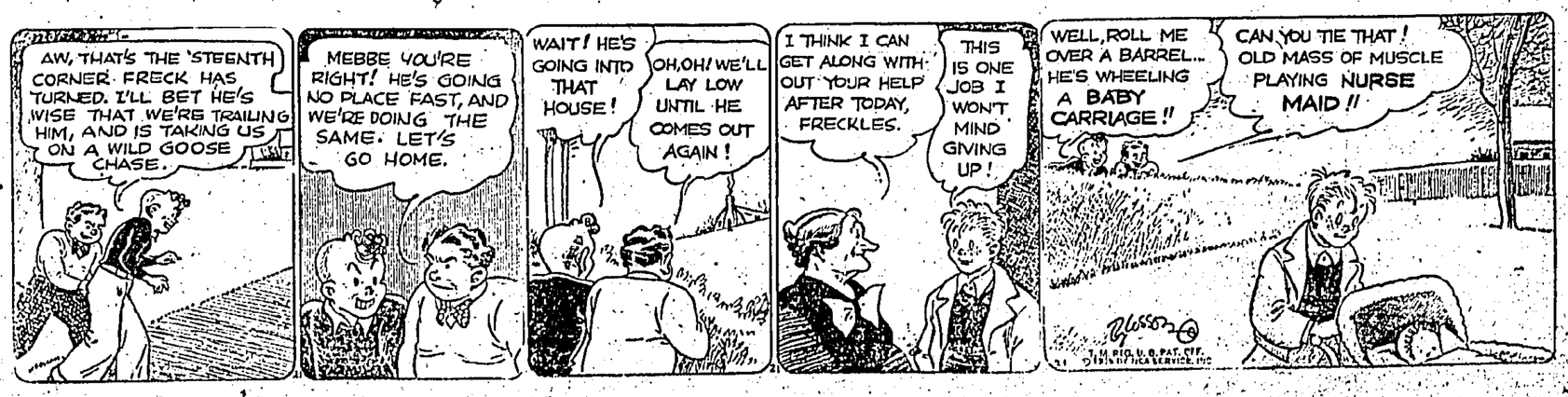
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THE STORY THUS FAR

Kay Brannan, late of Wellesley, obtains a position as advertising assistant and enters, on a mad whirl of gayety, determined not to return to dull Carvel. One day, she impulsively quits her job and goes on a wild yachting party with Dane Ripley. To escape his violent lovemaking she leaves in a passing rowboat, manned by Bob Dakin, a medical doctor. Motoring her back to Boston, he drunkenly insists that they get married. Sober again though, he is horrified, for he is engaged to Priscilla Hyde. The Dakins however, are unexpectedly friendly to Kay, insisting that she stay for a few weeks to quiet scandalous gossip. Now she is at a tea given by Mrs. Dakin. Priscilla is expected momentarily.

CHAPTER XVIII

Kay had to receive congratulations and good wishes, and said her thanks with gracious assurance; she saw the curious questions in some eyes and ignored them. There were older folk here, people of the age of Doctor and Mrs. Dakin, and Kay was at her ease with them. Then suddenly Dr. Fabre, Bob's chief, appeared with Mrs. Fabre; and Kay when she met him did find herself trembling. He was a small, fair man; and he studied her frankly, with keen blue eyes. He did not speak; and Kay said appealingly:

"I feel as though I ought to tell you my symptoms, Dr. Fabre. Are you diagnosing me?"

He smiled then. "I'm—diagnosing, Bob," he corrected; and he said seriously: "An accurate diagnosis is three-quarters of the cure."

She asked in an attempt at lightness: "Are you going to give me prescription for him?"

He hesitated. "Yes," he said then. "Keep him at home, the nights when he's on call!"

"Is he—on call often?" she asked.

"Every night," he told her, watching her closely. "I'll see to that, and I'll hold you responsible for seeing to it that he's—ready to work!"

She looked at him intently; and she spoke in a lower tone. "I think you're—not sorry about this," she said slowly. "I think you like me!" She smiled, moved her hands in a grateful gesture. "You people who are fond of Bob have all been so good to me."

He said seriously: "There is a great career waiting for Bob, if he will take it. I thought Thursday that he had thrown it away. I think perhaps he may recapture it now, with you to help him."

She met his eyes steadily. "You know—what happened about us?" she asked.

"Bob told me," he agreed.

"Then how can you put any—hope in me?"

He answered: "For the first time in his life, Bob admits that he has done a mistaken and unworthy thing." His eyes twinkled. "I think now, after having seen you, that perhaps his biggest mistake is in regretting what he did. But contrition may be good for him."

Kay was trembling, and Genevieve saw her pallor and came to her side, and Dr. Fabre with a nod moved away.

Somewhat later Kay saw Bob go to meet newcomers in the hall, heard voices there which were familiar. He returned, with Cissie Means; and Cissie swooped across the room to make her duties to Mrs. Dakin, then caught Kay and kissed her.

"Darling!" she cried. "I'm so glad for you!" She bore Kay away, and Genevieve came watchfully after them. "You know, Genevieve," Cissie exclaimed, "I deserve a lot of the credit! Indeed I do. If I hadn't made Bud and Bob take me for a row around the harbour, they'd never in the world have passed under the stern of the "Griffin"; and if they hadn't Kay would never have jumped into the boat, and nothing would have happened at all." She hugged Kay affectionately, her arm around the other's waist. "And in spite of that, ungrateful, you didn' even invite me to your wedding!"

Genevieve said in a drawling dis like: "But you had the fun of sending out the announcements, Cissie!"

Cissie's eyes were wide; she appealed to Kay. "But mercy, darling, you didn't want to keep it secret, did you?" And she exclaimed: "Heavens, if it were me, I'd publish it from the housetops! I've had my cap set for Bob for years, positively years, Kay; and he'd never even look at me. I should think you'd be the proudest and happiest girl"

"Of course," Kay said gently. "I am!"

Cissie hugged her arm. "Only, be careful, Kay," she advised, watching the other shrewdly. "Bob's as tricky as a trout. Genevieve, you know that yourself. If he were mine, I'd handcuff him and chain him to the leg of our bed!"

And she cried: "Oh, that reminds me, on the way home we stopped to see where you spent the night, Kay. Wasn't that romantic, and exciting, and everything? How terrible if you'd been hurt? I don't see how the car ever got down that bank without turning over, and I certainly don't see how Bob ever got so far off the road!" She said accusingly: "He must have been paying more attention to you than he was to his driving!"

"Naturally," Kay told her calmly; and felt Genevieve's approving touch on her arm.

"You're wonderful!" Cissie told her. She spoke in a dry, unpleasant tone, her eyes suddenly hard. "You had the sense to see your chance and take it," she said. "Just think, married to the great Bob Dakin! I can hardly believe it!"

"He is great, isn't he?" Kay assented easily.

"And you're really married to him, aren't you?" Cissie insisted. "In spite of that unique wedding night?" Her eyes were keen now. "You are, aren't you, Kay? No mistake about it? No chance you'll wake up and find it's a dream?"

Kay said cheerfully: "I'm afraid not, Cissie. I know you hate to give up hope. . . ."

"Meeow!" Cissie protested, and made the gesture of clawing fingers at Kay's cheeks. "Darling, I'm so happy for you!" she insisted. Then she realized that the room suddenly was silent, and she looked around and clapped her hand over her mouth. Kay followed her glance and saw Bob coming toward them; by his side a tall, fair, lovely girl, perfect in her every aspect,, cool and remote and calm.

Genevieve whispered softly: "You're in for it now, child!" But it needed not the warning to tell Kay who this was. The girl by Bob's side was stripping off her gloves.

"We just this minute got in, Bob," she was saying. "Ed drove like mad, but the traffic was incredible. And what a race you missed! But of course you know. Or . . ." She looked toward Kay whom they were now approaching, and smiled, mirth in her tones. "Or have you read the papers since?"

Bob said evenly: "Read them? I practically wrote them, Pris! If you'd known how famous I was going to be, you'd never have let me go!"

All the room could hear. "And now it's too late," the girl agreed in pretended despair. "Forever too late!" They were come by this time to where Kay stood waiting, and Priscilla extended her hand to Kay. "I'm Priscilla Hyde," she explained.

"I know," Kay agreed. "I'm Kay Dakin!" She felt Genevieve's amused approval. Colour flowed faintly across Priscilla's temples, but she said calmly:

"Of course, I knew that! Everyone knows that! Everyone who has read the papers!"

Kay looked at Bob, who stood there uneasily. Voices filled the room again, covering their words. She turned to Priscilla, and something in her eyes appealed for mercy.

"I'm sorry I made Bob fail you yesterday," she said softly. "You were expecting him. It must have spoiled your party. I am sorry!"

"My dear, don't pity me," Priscilla told her laughingly. "I assure you I don't require it!"

Genevieve hooked her arm through Cissie's, who was still attentive here.

"Cissie, I want to show you my latest," she said calmly. "Come along with me!" She led Cissie, unwilling, away; and Bob and Kay and Priscilla were left together, a little isolated, near the wide window toward the street.

"You can't imagine," Priscilla said calmly, "what a sensation you two caused. Really, Bob, the race was practically ignored. Everyone was talking about you!"

"We didn't expect it to be known so soon," Bob said lamely.

"Soon?" Priscilla echoed. "Why, Cissie would have made a personal broadcast, if there had been a microphone available. I heard it from a dozen people during the afternoon, each one delighted to break the news to me."

Kay said again: "I'm really sorry Miss Hyde. I know it was terribly hard for you!"

"For me?" Priscilla protested, with fine brows arched in cool surprise. "Not at all! I was able to tell them so much more than they knew, you see."

"I met Miss—met Kay through Genevieve," Bob stammered hurriedly. "We've known each other a long time!"

"Not too long, I hope," Priscilla suggested, smiling. Kay looked at her in quick attention, and her lips suddenly were white. But Bob said blindly:

"Oh, quite a while . . ."

He looked toward the door, at a sudden stir of voices in that direction. "There are Pat and Felicia!" he cried, eagerly; and without apology he turned to make haste to greet the newcomers.

"That's Pat Norris," Priscilla told Kay, helpfully. "But of course you must know him, since you and Bob are such old friends!"

"No," Kay confessed; and she said and Priscilla looked at her with mocking eyes.

"Yes?" she prompted.

Kay hesitated, and she bit her lip. "Don't think too harshly of Bob," she begged.

Priscilla's brows lifted in surprise, hurriedly: "Miss Hyde, I do want you to know . . ." She hesitated; "Why my dear, I wish you joy of him," she protested. "Bob was always a little too eccentric for me. His vagaries—I tried to ignore them as long as possible. But Thursday afternoon h went too far, even for my patience!"

Kay's colour heightened. But she agreed politely: "He told me. He didn't blame you!"

Priscilla's brows arched. "Blame me?" she echoed.

Kay nodded, calmly now, able to defend herself. "Of course the engagement between you was just a family arrangement, with no feeling on either side. I understand perfectly!" she said in a casual tone.

Priscilla uttered an exasperated sound; and she laughed a little. "I hope you don't come to regret your—coup!" she said. "I've known Bob for years, and he's not the stuff model husbands are made of." Her eyes narrowed and she spoke icily. "But of course, ladies in haste can't pick and choose!"

Kay felt her cheek white. Her chin lifted bravely. She spoke in polite dismissal.

"My husband will want me to meet his friends," she said serenely, and walked away from Priscilla, across the floor. The room was wide, the way was long; she heard her heels pound heavily. She came to Bob's side.

Felicia Norris caught her hand. "Darling!" she exclaimed. "Come here and tell me all about it. You know Pat and I were married in Minton Green, too, by that same old man. Only it was after a football game instead of a boat race. And we've loved it!"

Bob said: "Kay, this is Pat!" I've told you about him!"

Kay's throat was dry, but she could smile. Pat Norris caught her hand. "Hullo," he said. "Say, Bob, you took your time deciding, but it paid, didn't it? Kay, look out for him. Get him broke to harness soon as you can. Felicia can give you points. She put the curb on me!"

Kay was smiling in a flaxed way. She wet her lips.

"It was November, with us," Felicia said. "Remember, Pat? But warm, Indian summer weather. We took Pat's knockabout—he calls her The Lark—and went for a week's cruise down to Long Island, afterward, and it was gorgeous! Just the two of us. That gave people time to get through talking before we came home. They will talk, you know, Kay, darling. But you just let them! It's none of their business, so long as you and Bob are satisfied!"

Kay nodded carefully; and Pat cried as though in sudden inspiration:

"Bob, by Lord Harry!"

Bob looked at him doubtfully. "Listen, Bob!" Pat exclaimed. "Here's a hunch for you! The Lark's in commission, down at Rawley's now, and I shan't want her, till the eighth of July. You and Kay take her, old man! She's your'n for the rest of the V'yge! You can handle her alone!" He swung to Kay. "Can you cook, young lady? On our honeymoon, I was cap'n, first mate cook and bottle washer, and did we live high?"

He seemed to expect a reply, so Kay echoed:

"Did you?"

"Tinker mackerel!" said Pat rapturously. "Lobster stew! Clam! Man, oh man!" And he demanded: "How about it? You can slide up the coast to Penobscot Bay and back, before I want the boat. It'll be great, this time of year!"

Bob started to speak, but someone touched his arm, and he turned and saw Priscilla, here beside him.

"Bob, may I see you just a minute?" she asked.

Bob might have turned aside with her, but Kay caught his hand, detaining him. "You're mighty nice, Pat," she said to the other man. "We'll take you up on it. Won't we, Bob?"

Again, Kay has rashly yielded to impulse. She is in an embarrassing position for if Bob refuses to go, it will confirm what everyone is thinking . . . that he has been forced into the marriage. What will his answer be! Don't miss to-morrow's absorbing instalment.

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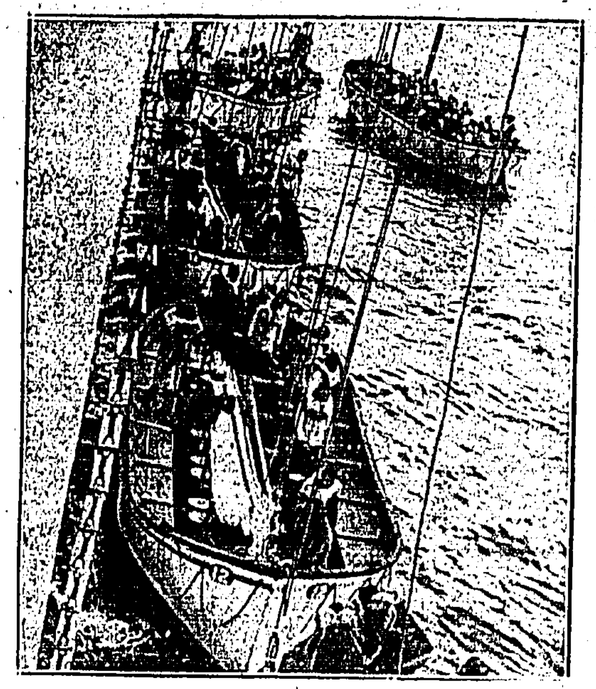
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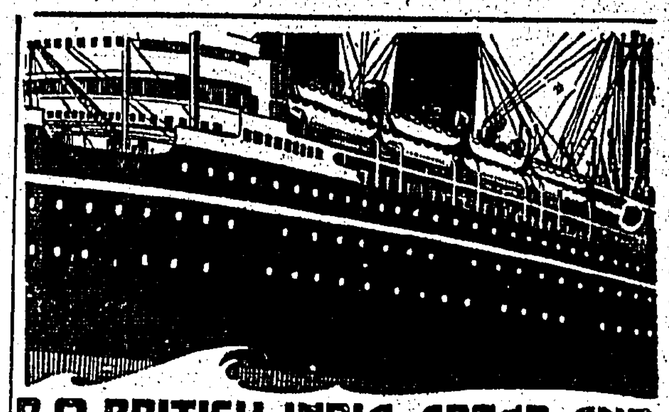


After being held up by bad weather throughout China, and particularly in Hongkong, the three R.A.F. flying boats, making a goodwill flight from Singapore to China and back, have returned to their home base. Upper picture shows Air Commodore Smith, in command of the flight, second from the left, with Group Captain Willock, H.M. Air Attache here, at his left. Below are the giant flying boats.

NEARS END OF TERM



Huge crowds gathered at Howrah station in Calcutta to give a rousing farewell to Lord Willingdon, whose term of office as Viceroy of India ends in April. He is shown with Lady Willingdon at the station. Lord Willingdon, will, it is reported, return to England to take over an undesignated Government appointment.



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The Committee is also studying the escrowed proceeding "recapture" tax, which is expected to be adopted without difficulty. Also they are considering the proposal for a light excise tax on thirty commodities, which is expected to meet with heavy opposition. —*United Press.*

THROWN INTO HARBOUR

ALLEGATION IN ASSAULT CASE

Allegations that the complainant was thrown into the water after being badly assaulted at the Kwong Wing wharf prior to boarding the s.s. Cheung Fat were made by Mr. D.S. Curtis when he appeared on behalf of Lo Chan-ham, a Swatow trader, before Mr. S. F. Balfour at Central Police Court this morning, the defendant being Li Shing, 32, runner of the Kwong Shing Hing boarding house. Mr. F. I. Zimmern appeared for the defence.

Mr. Curtis stated that defendant asked for a loan of $10 and the complainant refused. He added that during the assault, which was committed by the defendant and one or two others, the defendant lost a wallet containing $50. He submitted that if his Worship found the case proved he should deal severely with the accused as it was a serious case and the complainant might easily have been drowned.

Evidence was taken and the case is proceeding.

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JEWEL THEFT ATTEMPT

CLUMSY EFFORT FAILS

A clumsy attempt to steal eight gold rings, valued at $59, from a jeweller's shop in Nathan Road yesterday afternoon, resulted in the appearance of Yeung Tong, unemployed, who gave his age as 16-years, before Mr. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, when he was sentenced to one month's hard labour.

Detective-Sergeant D. Davies stated that about 2.30 p.m. yesterday defendant entered A. G. James' jewellery shop at No. 58 Nathan Road, and said he wanted to buy a signet ring. Complainant produced a card containing eight gold rings and placed it on the counter, and defendant picked it up and ran out of the shop. He was chased by Chiu Fat, a barber, whose shop was at the same address, and was caught in Nathan Road.

Shimohawa Shiro, 26, shop assistant, was fined $5 by Mr. Balfour at the Central Police Court this morning when he admitted a charge of disobeying the automatic traffic signal while riding a bicycle at the junction of Pedder Street and Des Voeux Road Central. Sub-Inspector J. J. Walsh prosecuted.

GERMAN REPRISAL THREAT

WOULD RETALIATE TO SANCTIONS

REPUDIATION OF DEBTS

Berlin, Mar. 15.

Germany would retaliate to any sanctions which the League of Nations Powers might impose upon her with reprisals of a far-reaching nature, it was intimated to-day.

Cancellation of the German interest payments on all foreign debts, or on all debts to nations supporting sanctions, and a declaration of her inability ever to repay the principal, would be the first outcome of financial and economic penalties.

This was the warning contained in the semi-official *Frankfurter Zeitung* to-day.

It is thought unlikely that sanctions will be imposed, however, in view of the opposition to this measure in all save French and Belgian ranks. Nevertheless, Russia and various others of France's allies, have declared themselves as being prepared to impose sanctions if the League Council approves of them.—*Reuter.*



HERR ADOLF HITLER

Is the man of the moment in Europe to-day, for he stepped into prominence with his Rhineland occupation and has kept the eyes of the world upon him by sending a reply to the League Council's invitation to conference which makes it clear he does not intend to abandon his demands for revision of treaties.

CANCELS DEMONSTRATION

Berlin, Mar. 16.

Herr Adolf Hitler has notified the military commanders that he is visiting Frankfurt to-day to receive the Army's tribute in connection with nation-wide reintroduction of compulsory military service.

However, he has cancelled the huge army demonstration which it was to hold near the French frontier to-day.—*United Press.*

OPTIMISM IN SILVER MARKETS

BOMBAY REVIEW OF WEEK

Bombay, March 14.

Messrs. Merwanjee and Sons, in their silver review for the week ending yesterday, write:—

The day to day reports regarding the European political situation have been the dominating factor in the market. After a sudden rise early in the week, there was a reaction towards the close owing to London not keeping pace with the local market.

With fresh world production appearing to be apportioned between the United States Treasury and the world industrial demand, the undertone was restrained. There is some optimism, nevertheless, in evidence.

The up-country demand has averaged about 275 bars of silver a day.

A forecast on the surplus of silver bars after the March settlement is not possible at the present juncture.

Shipments of silver afloat from London to Bombay this week-end total £280,000.

The incoming mail steamer is bringing silver to the value of £150,000 from London to Bombay.—*Reuter.*

NAVY WANTS AIR BASE

Washington, Mar. 15.

The Navy has reported to the House Naval Affairs Committee, urging the speedy enactment of a bill to construct a large naval air station on San Francisco Bay on the grounds that it is necessary to the efficiency of naval defence.—*United Press.*

LONDON SUBURBS HEALTHY

LOW DEATH RATES FOR ALL AGES

MORTALITY STATISTICS

London, Mar. 15.

The Registrar General has published a report by a Government actuary on the mortality experience of England and Wales in 1930, 1931 and 1932, which, by examination of the rates of mortality at individual ages, shows the great improvement in the vitality of the people which has taken place at all but the most advanced ages.

Investigation of mortality experience with reference to geographical situation reveals that the London suburban areas are subject to a much lighter death-rate than the country as whole in respect of both sexes.

It is found, in fact, when the figures are compared with those for other urban areas, that the outer ring of London is conspicious for the lightness of its death-rates over the whole span of life.—*British Wireless.*

CHICKEN THEFT SEQUEL

SIX MEN SENTENCED AT SESSIONS

In a chicken stealing case at the Criminal Sessions this morning, nearly an hour was spent in taking the pleas of the six prisoners involved.

Chan Leung-mo, *alias* Ah Ying, *alias* Ah Chung, 26, Chiu Mui-tsai, 36, Lam Kei, 23, Lam Hei-san, 32, Li Shing, 34, all pleaded guilty to having robbed Lau Iu, gardener, of six chickens and a hat at a matshed at Kowloon Tong on January 31.

Lam Ping-chi, 26, pleaded not guilty and the case against him was withdrawn.

Mr. J. B. Prentis, for the Crown, said the complainant and his family were awakened at midnight by finding the defendants in the hut binding some of them up with string. Li Shing threatened them with a knife. Iu escaped and the defendants then ran off with the stolen property.

Mr. Justice J. J. Hayden said the crime was a serious one because it might have given rise to bloodshed and killing. Defendants had pleaded that they had no food, no work and no money to return to the country. They would be amply provided for in the future, as a sentence of eighteen months' hard labour would be imposed.

JAPANESE ACTIVE IN FUKIEN

AUTHORITIES MUCH PERTURBED

Shanghai, Mar. 16.

A Chinese press despatch states that the authorities in Fukien are very much perturbed over the continued activities of Japanese and unemployed Formosans in the seaports of the province.

It is stated that the number of apparently indigent Formosans has recently increased to 16,000 at Amoy and that 1,500 are at present in Foochow.

They are allegedly engaged in dangerous activities.—*Reuter.*

CHINA SAVINGS SOCIETY

SHANGHAI OFFICES OPENED TO-DAY

Shanghai, Mar. 16.

Mr. H. H. Kung, the Finance Minister, and leading Chinese bankers, attended the formal opening this morning of the Central Savings Society, which is affiliated with the Central Bank.

The Bankers' Acceptance House, sponsored by the Joint Reserve Board and the Shanghai Bankers Association, was also opened this morning.—*Reuter.*

JAPANESE FREE BRITISHER

ARRESTED DURING TOKYO COUP

Tokyo, Mar. 16.

Mr. Gerald Samson, a British writer, who was arrested during the Tokyo army revolt and has been in custody since February 28, was released Saturday afternoon.

He left for Kobe immediately, the police having arranged for his passage on Sunday by the Nagasaki Maru for Shanghai.—*Reuter.*

BEATTY'S FUNERAL

As a mark of respect to the late Admiral Earl Beatty, whose funeral takes place to-day, warships in harbour are flying their flags at half-mast from 8 a.m. to sundown.

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